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THIRD "TEST"

AUSTRALIAN BATSMEN FAIL ON
WET WICKET

A LATE START

Play-to-day did not commence in the third "Test" match at Melbourne until 12.30 p.m. and by lunch-time Australia had lost their remaining two wickets (all out for 351) and England had made three runs without loss. Which meant that the tourists have to collect but 329 runs to win the third "Test" and retain the "Ashes."

The late start, states Reuter, was occasioned by the weather, it raining very heavily before six in the morning. After that there were showers and spells of sunshine.

The captains inspected the wicket at a quarter after 11 o'clock, and again at 12.30. Then there was a disagreement, but the umpires decided that play was possible.

Consequently the overnight batsmen, Oxenham and Grimmett, resumed immediately.

The former fell to White without adding to his score of 39 runs, and Blackie, the Victorian slow bowler, replaced him.

Only four runs were put on, however, before the Australians were all out.

White's Bowling

Oxenham was batting 105 minutes for his total, which was an invaluable contribution. Blackie did not survive long, he too falling to one of White's deliveries for a "duck." Australia's 351 runs took 460 minutes to make, and the bowling honours went to White, who took five for 105.

Hobbs and Sutcliffe then opened for England and between them had scored three when the lunch interval was called.

When play actually opened this morning the weather was sunny but cool and there were only 5,000 people present.

Yesterday's Play

Australia were at the wickets all day yesterday and by close of play had lost eight for 347 runs. Both Woodfull and Bradman made centuries. Larwood is suffering from a strained ankle and did not bowl. Oxenham and Grimmett were left at bat when stumps were drawn, the former having scored 39, and the total of 347 for eight wickets gave the Australians 327 runs on with two wickets in hand.

Australia—2nd Innings

W. M. Woodfull, c Duckworth, b Tate 107
V. Y. Richardson, b Larwood 5
H. L. Hendry, c Duckworth, b White 12
A. F. Kippax, b Tate 41
J. S. Ryder, b Geary 5
D. Bradman, c Duckworth, b Geary 112
W. A. Oldfield, b White 7
E. L. A. Beckett, b White 6
R. M. Oxenham, b White 39
C. V. Grimmett, not out 0
D. J. Blackie, b White 0
Extras 18
Total 351

Fall of wickets: 1 for 7 (Richardson), 2 for 60 (Hendry), 3 for 138 (Kippax), 4 for 143 (Ryder), 5 for 201 (Woodfull), 6 for 226 (Oldfield), 7 for 252 (A. Beckett), 8 for 345 (Bradman), 9 for 351 (Oxenham), 10 for 351 (Blackie).

BOWLING ANALYSIS

O. M. E. W.
Larwood 16 3 87 1
Tate 47 15 70 2
White 56.5 20 107 5
Hammond 16 6 30 0
Geary 18 4 94 2

THE PRIMATE

London, Yesterday.

A bulletin, signed by the Archbishop of Canterbury's doctor, states that His Grace's recovery has been retarded by some recurrence of the inflammation necessitating a further period of rest in bed.—Reuter.

THE BALTIC DISPUTE

Berlin, Yesterday.

The Minister of Labour has declared that the arbitrator's award in the shipyard's dispute is obligatory, thus ending the three months' strike.—Reuter.

HANKOW SITUATION DISQUIETING

FENG'S "ADVANCE"

A KWANGSI PARTY GENERAL
RETURNS TO HIS POST

TIGHTENING THE BOYCOTT

"The position at Hankow is somewhat disquieting," says a Royal Naval communiqué of yesterday's date.

This follows the unconfirmed report that Feng Yu-hsiang (the "Christian General") was advancing troops southward, from Honan into Hupeh, with Hankow as his objective. The report also added that an attempt might be made to prevent General Li Tsung-jen (of the Kwangsi military group) from returning to Hankow.

There is no authentic Chinese news on what may possibly turn out to be a grave development in Chinese politics. On the other hand, there is a cable about intensification of the anti-Nippon boycott at Hankow.

The R.N. communiqué adds: "General Liu Ho-tung, local military commander, has returned to Ichang, but the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs has not done so." This is taken to mean that General Liu, who holds the Yangtze port of Ichang, under direction of the Kwangsi military group, has left Hankow and gone back to his post at Ichang, which is also in Hupeh province, 370 miles above Hankow. The fact that the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs at Ichang is remaining in Hankow has little bearing on the rumoured advance of the "Christian General" from the north.

The Szechuan War
Definite news has, at least, come through about the Szechuan war. General Yang Sen, the stormy petrel of the Upper Yangtze, has been defeated and pushed back after launching an attack with Chungking, 1,400 miles from the sea, as his goal.

The R.N. communiqué adds: "It is reported that Yang Sen has returned to Kaihsien and recalled his troops from Yunyang and Kueifu districts (both in the east of Szechuan); also that General Liu Hsiang (who held Chungking successfully) is preparing to enter Wanhien in a week."

Yang Sen has, therefore, lost Wanhien and retreated inland, northward, away from the Yangtze, withdrawing his units stationed further east (out of the war zone) to strengthen his defences at Kaihsien if his adversary, Liu Hsiang, counter-advances any further.

A RUMPUS

JUNKMEN HAVE A LITTLE BOUT

COURT SEQUEL

A fight involving members of the crew of two rival junks took place last night at about 8 o'clock in the vicinity of the Star ferry wharf, Kowloon. The contestants were fighting in couples and a little boy was also mixed up in the affair. Police whistles were blown and a great commotion was caused generally.

A number of Indian constables, who were in the Water police station, at once rushed to the scene, and arrested five men and the boy. It appears that there were three on each side, and the whole affair began after a quarrel between the boy and a member of another junk. Little damage was done by either party.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning all appeared on a charge of disturbing the public peace and all offered different excuses.

Evidence was taken by two police constables who said that the defendants were grappling with each other in couples, and the first defendant was hitting the boy.

When asked to plead the boy said that he had come ashore from his junk with a letter in his hand. The first defendant knocked the letter away, and that started the squabble.

All the defendants, with the exception of the boy, were bound over in a personal bond of \$50 to keep the peace for six months. In addition the first defendant was fined \$10 or 14 days, while the other five (including the boy) were fined \$5 or 7 days' jail.

THE FERMENT IN AFGHANISTAN

KABUL REPORT

NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN GOVT.
AND REBELS

MANY DENIALS

London, Yesterday.

The Afghan legation in London is informed from Kabul that negotiations are continuing between the rebels.

The latter have proposed no terms, and the report that the King has made a number of concessions is denied as are also the reports of general hostility to the Queen.

Afghan Refugees

New Delhi, Yesterday.

The Government of India has issued a proclamation along the frontier offering a handsome reward for the detention of Sirdar Muhammed Omar Khan, one of the five sons of the late Sirdar Muhammed Ayub Khan of the Afghan Royal Family, who was on parole at Allahabad but disappeared on December 20. There are 1,200 Afghan refugees in India under Government surveillance.

Final Evacuations.

R.A.F. planes have evacuated six more women and children from Kabul, and no more at present remain to be evacuated.

The aeroplane recently shot down at Kabul has been successfully repaired and has flown back to India.—Reuter.

MOTOR-CAR PARTS

STORY TOLD AT THE MAGISTRACY

QUEER AFFAIR

Two Chinese were this morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell with the theft of parts of a motor car (No. 434).

The first man was charged in connection with a generator and a magnet, and the other with regard to a carburettor and a generator.

Mr. Lammert, auctioneer, said in evidence that when his clerk went to No. 1, Heard-street on December 28 to seize the car on behalf of a client who had given orders for it to be auctioned, the car could not be started because certain essential parts of the mechanism were missing. Witness reported the matter to the police and did not know any more about it until he was informed that the missing parts had been recovered.

Detective Sergeant Oram told the Court that the car was kept in a locked garage, which was guarded day and night by two watchmen, neither of whom saw the car being tampered with.

The Magistrate asked in that case how it was suggested the accused managed to get the parts, the removing of which was a long job.

To "Carry On"

Inspector Macdonald said that in their own statements, the defendants claimed that the original owner of the car (not Mr. Lammert's client) owed the defendants wages, and when they threatened to take part of the car if they were not paid, they were told to "carry on."

Mr. Lindsell inquired where the original owner was, and was informed that he had gone to Amoy on business.

The first defendant said that they had originally taken the parts out of the car to repair them, and then, because their master was away, they decided to keep the parts until his return.

His Worship remarked that he had never heard of repairs to a motor car which necessitated the removal of those parts. "I can't believe that. If you had said you held these parts against wages I might believe you."

Defendants then said that there was no question of theft, as their master knew that they had removed the parts.

In discharging the accused, his Worship said that it looked very much like the accused had removed the parts before the car was seized and with the original owner's knowledge. However, the accused had no right to the parts, and he made an order for them to be handed over to the auctioneer.

The Hon. Mr. F. A. Pledge has been appointed to be a member of the Singapore Harbour Board for further three years.

YOUNG CHRISTIANS OF THE EAST

AN INVITATION

SILK BANNER FOR STUDENT
CONVENTION

"TO MOVE FORWARD"

London, Yesterday.

The Chinese student and Christian leader, Dr. T. Z. Koo, has presented the convention of the Student Christian Movement, being held in Liverpool, with a silk banner from Christian students in China bearing an inscription inviting fellow students in Great Britain and all western countries to move forward together with the young Christians of the East.—Reuter.

GARDENER FINED

GOVERNMENT GREEN WILD
WOOD

PLEA OF GUILTY

Lo Chuen, the gardener employed by Lieut.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., of No. 28, Lugard-road, The Peak, was this morning convicted by Mr. R. E. Lindsell and fined \$40, or, in default, three weeks' hard labour, for cutting green wild wood from the Government plantation on the hillside at the back of his master's property.

When the case was resumed this morning, Mr. L. R. Andrews, assistant Crown Solicitor, told the Magistrate that he had come to Court yesterday at short notice with the intention of asking for a remand in the case so that he could go into the matter fully, and had decided to proceed with the case only because he had been given to understand that the defendant was going to plead "guilty."

Since the adjournment, he had secured the Land Office plans of Col. Bird's property because he thought that they might throw some light on the case. As the result of his examination of the plans, he could now say that Supervisor Carr who had gone up to Col. Bird's house in connection with the case, had erred in his evidence on the point that he had said that the tree stumps in the plantation were closer to Col. Bird's house than they in fact were.

As a matter of fact, it was discovered from the plans which he (Mr. Andrews) produced to the Magistrate, that Col. Bird's garden actually encroached on Government land. He mentioned this to show that Mr. Carr's evidence had been only too fair, given as it was without the aid of the plans.

Refusal Justified
The Magistrate then mentioned a small point which was made by the prosecution yesterday. He referred to the statement that when Mr. Carr went to the house first time, he was refused admittance. His Worship said that that refusal was justified, because neither Mr. Carr or any other Forestry Officer had the right to execute a warrant himself.

Mr. Lindsell added that he wanted it clearly understood that all such officers must go to execute their warrants in the company of a police officer.

Mr. Carr informed His Worship that he was accompanied by a Chinese detective when he went to the house with the warrant the first time, and was kept waiting until the arrival of Sub-Inspector Logan.

His Worship replied that Mr. Carr should have made that clear. He did not do so in his evidence yesterday.

Mr. Andrews said that he understood from Mr. Carr that the procedure mentioned by the Magistrate was well-known to the Forestry Officer.

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Houseboy's Evidence
Evidence for the defence was then called.

The only witness was Col. Bird's houseboy. The latter said that he did not know how the defendant came by the wood.

Mr. Lindsell: This witness is not much good to you, defendant, is he?

Defendant said that he had nothing to say, and pleaded that his Worship give him a chance.

Magistrate: Are you pleading "guilty" now?—Yes.

You might have saved the Court much time and trouble if you did that originally.

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TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2/0-5/16.

SALVATION ARMY LEADERSHIP

MORE MANOEUVRES

CONCERN STILL BEING FELT AS
TO GENERAL

HIGH COUNCIL MEETING

London, Yesterday.

Arrangements have been practically completed to hold a meeting of the High Council of the Salvation Army, consisting of 64 members to consider the leadership, at Sunbury-on-Thames on Jan. 8.

Commander Eva Booth conferred with a number of delegates, including her niece, Commissioner Catherine, to-day. Some concern has been expressed as to the general's condition since the bulletins were discontinued.

An official statement to-day that the general's health is improving, and that the bulletins were discontinued since the doctors definitely declared him out of danger. Medical certificates as to his health will be available for the High Council.

Official Announcement
An official announcement from the Salvation Army Headquarters states that the doctors considered that General Booth was now strong enough to be informed of the convocation of the High Council without over-great risk.

Mrs. Booth and her eldest daughter, Commissioner Catherine, informed the general, though entering very little into details.

"Rather Rough"
The general realised the grave import of the action and remarked: "I have loved the Army and have done my best for our people." He later added: "What ever others may think about the government of the Army, they must feel that this is rather rough on me."

The announcement concludes with the statement that naturally the news was a great shock to the general, who passed a somewhat restless night, although his general condition remains hopeful.—Reuter.

VIOLENT STORMS

MANY KILLED AND SCORES
INJURED IN JAPAN

TERRIBLE HAVOC

Tokyo, Yesterday.

Fifty-six people have been killed and scores injured, while many houses have been washed away and several hundreds more destroyed in the villages along the Nigata coast of Japan. Railway, telegraphic and telephonic communications have been disrupted in the same area as a result of the violent storms, which were accompanied by snow and tidal waves according to the official reports.

The storm, which swept the entire north west coastline, broke on January 1 and gathered force yesterday morning, the wind reaching a velocity of 37 metres a second.

Volcanic Activity
Kumamoto, Yesterday.

Asosan, probably the largest volcano in the world, has shown signs of activity in the last month. It is now reported that a severe earthquake was felt everywhere in Kyushu yesterday morning, the seismic centre being twenty-five miles north-east of Asosan. A house was destroyed and several others damaged, while cracks appeared in the roads, but no casualties have been reported.—Reuter.

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THE NOTIFYING OF SMALL-POX

CASE IN COURT

IMPORTANT STATEMENT BY DR.
G. W. POPE

IF THE PUBLIC "PLAY UP"

A statement of interest to the public generally and the Chinese in particular, was made by Dr. G. W. Pope, Medical Officer of Health, in Mr. R. E. Lindsell's Court this morning, in connection with a small-pox case, and his Worship requested that the statement be given publicly in the Press, especially the Chinese section.

Dr. Pope said that in bringing the case before the Court, the Sanitary Board was trying to get the public, particularly the Chinese, to notify cases of small-pox. He added that he specially wished to emphasise that there was no penalty for reporting cases. The worse that could happen was that other inmates of the house would have to get vaccinated.

Proceeding, Dr. Pope said that about ten years ago the Board ruled, and the Governor-in-Council agreed, to let cases be treated at home provided all other members of the household were vaccinated, and a notice was placed outside the house announcing that small-pox had occurred there. The Board was still prepared to do this if the public would "play up" and report all cases early.

Defendant's Excuse

The defendant in the case was Ng Kau who was charged as principal tenant of the second floor of No. 21, Third-street, West Point, with failing to notify on December 27, 1928, to the M.O.H., of a case of small-pox which occurred in a small male child.

Defendant said that he was not the principal tenant of the floor, but was the child's father.

Asked why he did not report the case, defendant said that he worked in a market, and had no time. He scarcely had time to go home even, and could not attend to domestic affairs.

Magistrate: You don't care, I suppose, if your child died of small-pox?

Defendant: I really have no time.

Do you deny you live on that floor?—I am not the principal tenant.

Replying to the Magistrate, Dr. Pope said that the charge was obviously wrongly made out. The defendant should have been charged as the father, the nearest relative, as provided by the Ordinance. But, he added, the principal tenant, or keeper of a house was primarily liable under the Ordinance.

Defendant told the Magistrate that he had been absent from the house from December 5 to January 2.

Sanitary Inspector H. J. Stevens, who was complainant in the case said that when he visited the floor on December 27, both the defendant and his wife were there and defendant was carrying the sick child.

A Denial

Defendant denied that he was the man.

The Inspector said that he was positive defendant was there. After he (witness) entered the place, the defendant handed the child over to its mother, who was at present in hospital with the child.

His worship decided to alter the charge to one of "failing to notify as the nearest male relative living on the premises."

It was then discovered that the principal tenant of the floor was not in Court, and the question arose as to how they were going to prove that the defendant lived on the premises.

Inspector Stevens suggested that the fact that the defendant, his wife and child were there, at the time witness visited the place, and it was the defendant who pointed out the child they lived in and gave the clothing to be taken away to be disinfected, "rather proved it."

The Magistrate decided to complete the evidence.

Complications
Inspector Stevens' Chinese interpreter deposed that the defendant gave the name of Ng Kiu and his wife that of Ng Kau.

The Magistrate asked how the witness could accept that they were

KING: NO CHANGE TO REPORT

A FAIR DAY

"LANCET" ISSUES AUTHORITA-
TIVE REVIEW OF ILLNESS

QUESTION OF RESERVE

London, Yesterday.

A British Wireless message states:—

Though this morning's bulletin stated that the King had passed a restless night it added that there was no change to report in His Majesty's condition.

It was learned at Buckingham Palace that the bulletin was regarded as being not unsatisfactory.

Although the King, for the second time in succession, had spent a restless night there had not been any definite check in his progress.

This would appear to indicate that the King has a slightly better reserve of strength on which to draw.

The following bulletin was issued at 8 p.m.:—

The King has had a fair day and there is no change to report in His Majesty's condition.

Signed: Stanley Hewett, Hugh M. Rigby, Dawson of Penn.

"Will To Live"

An authoritative review of the King's illness published in the "Lancet," the British medical journal, concludes by saying that the King's "exhaustion is as much weariness of mind as of body and though it is increasing in a sense the burden of his illness the will of the King to live is there. Owing to the exhaustion the course must be long and at present anxious. None the less improvement and progress are occurring slowly but surely enough to justify a hope that the King will be restored to his people."

General Infection

The King's illness," continues the "Lancet," "depicts that this present condition is the aftermath of severe general infection arising from original streptococcal septicaemia. The wound is now clean, the discharge is small and streptococcus is diminishing in potency. Dakin's solution was not used because the necessity for such local application has passed. As regards his general condition, while exhaustion is pronounced the margin of reserve power must be narrow and inevitable small setbacks have a more severe effect. Nevertheless, it is anticipated that progress will continue slowly with an increasing predominance of ups over downs."

"An adequacy of nourishment is now being secured though not without difficulty. The blood-pressure is still low and the calcium content of the blood has considerably decreased. The administration of calcium, parathyroid extract and strychnine together with ray therapy have been, apparently, beneficial. Blood transfusion is at present undesirable."

What Is Needed

The "Lancet" adds: "Though there is increasing reason to think the preservation of the King's life during these many weeks has not been in vain a more definite and settled improvement is, unfortunately, needed before our anxiety can be replaced by confidence."—Reuter.

The 5th Inniskilling Dragoon Guards landed at Southampton from the transport City of Mar-selles from India, and afterwards left for York.

husband and wife when their surname was the same. Surely the witness should know that it was not usual amongst the Chinese for the wife to use the same surname as her husband?

The interpreter further complicated matters by saying that in fact the woman's name was Ng Kiu and the man's Ng Kau.

Mr. Lindsell: Then why did you give his name to Inspector Stevens as Ng Kau?

His Worship then announced to Dr. Pope that he could not go on with the case and must discharge the defendant.

Dr. Pope agreed, and then made the statement quoted above.

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NOTICE.

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LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
Chartered Accountants,
Hong Kong, 1st Jan., 1929.

NOTICE.

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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON

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Hong Kong, 4th Jan., 1929.

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Hong Kong, 3rd Jan., 1929.

NOTICES.**BOXING**

CITY HALL,
Saturday, 5th Jan., 1929.

**FEATHERWEIGHT
CHAMPIONSHIP.**

15 Rounds.
Signalman v. Leading Seaman Shons v. Mudge

H.M.S. "Serapis" H.M.S. "Berwick"

WELTERWEIGHT CONTEST.

10 Rounds.
Mariner v. Leading Seaman Fraser v. Clayton

H.M.S. "Tamar" H.M.S. "Berwick"

LIGHTWEIGHT CONTEST.

10 Rounds.
Leading Seaman A.B. Hale v. Davies

H.M.S. "Titania" H.M. Submarine

LIGHTWEIGHT CONTEST.

6 Rounds.
Stoker Car v. Stoker Walton

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6 Rounds.
Mariner v. A.B. Worford v. Trimming

H.M.S. "Hermes" H.M.S. "Hermes"

Booking at MOUTRIE'S for Members of the Hong Kong Boxing Association on Wednesday, 2nd January, and Thursday, 3rd January.

General Public: Friday, 4th and Saturday, 5th January.

Ringside Seats \$5, others \$3 and \$1.

THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary Meeting of the Shareholders of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will be held on Saturday, the 2nd day of February, 1929, at 12 o'clock noon at the City Hall Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing the following resolution, viz:—

That the Directors of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation be and they are hereby requested and authorised by and on behalf of the shareholders of the Corporation to take all such steps as may be necessary for the introduction of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hong Kong and for the enactment of the same by the Governor of Hong Kong with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, in the terms of a print which, for the purposes of identification, has been signed by the Chief Manager of the Corporation, in substitution for the existing Ordinances (except as in such print is mentioned) and Deed of Settlement of the Corporation.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further extraordinary meeting of the shareholders of the Corporation will be held on Saturday, the 23rd day of February, 1929, at 12.45 in the afternoon at the same place for the purpose of receiving a report of the above mentioned meeting and of considering, and, if thought fit, confirming the above resolution in accordance with Article 96 of the Corporation's Deed of Settlement.

Dated this 1st day of January, 1929.

By Order of the Directors,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.

Note:—A copy of the proposed New Ordinance can be seen during the usual banking hours (Sundays, Public and Bank Holidays excepted) in Hong Kong at the Head Office of the Corporation or at the offices of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master, Prince's Buildings, Solicitors to the said Corporation, and in Shanghai at the Office of the Corporation, from the date hereof until the date of the above mentioned confirmatory meeting.

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NOTICES.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE, 1911 and

IN THE MATTER OF THE HONG KONG FINANCE & INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

(In Liquidation).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to Section 181 of the Companies Ordinance 1911 that a Meeting of the Creditors of the HONG KONG FINANCE & INVESTMENT CO., LTD., will be held at No. 6, Des Voeux Road Central (4th Floor) Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 17th day of January, 1929, at 12 o'clock noon for the purposes provided for in the said Section.

Dated the 3rd day of January, 1929.

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Hong Kong, 1st Jan., 1929.

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PARTNERSHIP—Mr. GERALD HOLLINGSWORTH BOND

has been admitted as a Partner in the firm of DENISON, RAM & GIBBS, Chartered Architects, Civil Engineers & Surveyors, as from 2nd January, 1929. The Business will be carried on under the Name of DENISON, RAM & GIBBS.

Hong Kong, 2nd Jan., 1929.

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ANNUAL RACE MEETING.

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HAKONE MARU Saturday, 9th February.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.

AKI MARU Wednesday, 23rd January.

MISHIMA MARU Wednesday, 20th February.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.

AWA MARU Friday, 11th January.

HAKODATE MARU Monday, 28th January.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles,

Mexico & Panama.

ANYO MARU Friday, 1st February.

SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.

BINGO MARU Monday, 28th January.

NEW YORK via PANAMA.

TATSUNO MARU Sunday, 27th January.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Geneva, Marseilles.

DURBAN MARU Monday, 21st January.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

AWA MARU Sunday, 6th January.

TOKUSHIMA MARU Tuesday, 22nd January.

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LONDON, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP—Via Singapore

Colombo, Suez and Port Said.

ALTAI MARU Tuesday, 8th January, 1929.

RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore,

Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.

MONTEVIDEO MARU Friday, 8th February, 1929.

BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.

SHINYO MARU Monday, 7th January.

CHIFUKU MARU Saturday, 19th January, 1929.

(Calls at Penang & Karachi).

DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR

& MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.

MEXICO MARU Sunday, 6th January.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

BORNEO MARU Friday, 18th January.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports From

Shanghai.

MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.

BURMA MARU Sunday, 6th January.

SAIGON

HAIPHONG—Via Hoihow

MEMADO MARU Thursday, 17th January 10 a.m.

NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.

HAJANA MARU Monday, 7th January.

JAPAN PORTS.

KASADO MARU Monday, 7th January.

KEELUNG—Via SWATOW & AMOY.

CANTON MARU Sunday, 6th January Noon.

HOZAN MARU Sunday, 13th January Noon.

TAKAO—Via SWATOW & AMOY.

DELI MARU Thursday, 10th January 10 a.m.

TAKAO & KEELUNG

SOURABAYA MARU Friday, 25th January, 1929.

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SHIPPING SECTION.

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WEST POINT DINNER

Captain E. A. Aikman, General Superintendent of the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. at Vancouver, who is on a visit to the Far East, was the guest of honour at a dinner given in the Kam Ling restaurant, West Point, last night, by Mr. Leung Yuen-wo, chairman of the Chinese Seamen's Associated Union, Hong Kong.

Mr. Leung referred to his 30 years' association with the Canadian Pacific interests. In addition to Captain Aikman, he had the unique honour of welcoming at the same time Mr. T. H. Burgess (superintendent engineer) and the officers in the Hong Kong establishment.

Those present included Mr. and Mrs. Leung Yuen-wo, Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Leung, Miss Lily Leung, Captain E. A. Aikman, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Burgess, Captain and Mrs. W. Davidson, Mr. C. Thwaites, Mr. L. E. N. Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. E. Stone, Capt. A. Hailey, Capt. A. J. Holland, Mr. W. H. Fronde, Capt. A. J. Hosken, Capt. H. James, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mackenzie, Mr. Wm. Peters, Mr. Ho Kwong, Miss Mary Ho, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Yu, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Leung, Mr. W. F. Taylor, Mr. A. Crowson, Dr. A. C. Donaldson, Dr. Ivan Mackinnon, Mr. P. Vignal, Mr. J. A. Moir, Mr. E. Sadick, Mr. Tsang Chung-wai, Mr. Alfred Lee.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia," Capt. A. J. Hosken, R.N.R., will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama, at noon on Jan. 9.

The P. & O. s.s. "Kidderpore" left Singapore for this port yesterday at 7 a.m., and is due here on Jan. 10 at about 6 a.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of France" arrived at Yokohama yesterday at 9 a.m. left Yokohama same day at 5 p.m., and is due at Hong Kong on Jan. 9 at p.m. She leaves Hong Kong on Jan. 10 at 5 p.m.

The M.V. "Nippon" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Dunkirk on Dec. 24, and is due here on or about Jan. 31.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Australia" left Suez on Jan. 1 at 7 p.m., is due at Bombay on Jan. 10 at 7 a.m., and is expected here on Feb. 13 at 8 a.m.

Projected arrivals at and departures from Hong Kong of steamers under the management of the Bank Line, Ltd., are as follows:—

Arrivals at Hong Kong

S.S. "Leverbank" from New York, January 6.

S.S. "City of Bedford" from New York, January 8.

S.S. "City of Pekin" from Europe, January 25.

S.S. "Polaris" from New York, February 1.

Sailings from Hong Kong

S.S. "Leverbank" to Boston, New York and Baltimore, January 6.

S.S. "City of Bedford" to Shanghai, January 9.

S.S. "City of Lahore" to Straits, Colombo, London, Rotterdam and Hamburg, January 9.

S.S. "City of Pekin" to Shanghai and Japan ports, January 26.

S.S. "Polaris" to Saigon, February 3.

TONNAGE DUES

SUGGESTED ABOLITION IN SWEDEN

FAVOURABLE INFLUENCE?

It is announced that the Swedish Department of Commerce and the General Customs Administration have made representations to the Government in favour of the abolition of the so-called tonnage dues, and that the regulation concerning the exemption in certain cases from the payment of light dues should continue in force as from July 1, 1929.

In this connection the two departments recall the fact that in their report the experts on shipping taxes specially maintained the necessity of eliminating from shipping taxes all imposts of a tax nature which imply an extra taxation of shipping. The most important of these taxes which were aimed at are the tonnage dues, the abolition of which was recommended by the experts. This question has repeatedly been brought forward during the past decade both in the Riksdag and in proposals made by committees and interested shipping circles, and the two departments associate themselves in the main with the reasons which were adduced by the experts in support of the adoption of measures in the direction in question.

It is considered that the discarding of the tonnage dues would to a not inconsiderable degree exercise a favourable influence on the Swedish harbours, especially the ability of the free ports to attract traffic in the competition with foreign harbours. The long-prevailing state of depression in shipping seems specially to speak in favour of the bringing about of relief in the burden of taxation which the cessation of tonnage dues would imply, a relief which must be considered to be all the more founded as the taxes in question rest neither on a just nor otherwise rational basis. So far as the two departments can find, State financial reasons can also no longer be appealed to with sufficient reason against a measure of the suggested kind.

In conclusion, it is mentioned that all parties concerned with the problem have associated themselves with the proposal, which has been unanimously approved in shipping circles.

HONG KONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 40 components for the better prediction of the tidal observations, taken at the Kauling tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Doreck during the years 1897, 1898 and 1899.

The times and heights are given for Kauling; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval Yard and Aberdeen, the differences being very small. The times of high and low water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

January 4 to 10, 1929.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOWER WATER
	Standard Times	Standard Times
Jan. 4	4 m 42 s	10 m 28 s
5	5 42 s	9 27 s
6	6 42 s	8 27 s
7	7 42 s	7 27 s
8	8 42 s	6 27 s
9	9 42 s	5 27 s
10	10 42 s	4 27 s

"KENT" IN JAVA

LATEST ROYAL NAVAL MOVEMENTS.

H.M.S. "Kent" (flagship of the China Station) arrived at Sourabaya, in Java, on Wednesday.

H.M.S. "Magnolia," a sloop, left Shanghai yesterday for Tsingtau, in North China.

H.M.S. "Concord," a cruiser coming out from Home with reliefs, left Singapore yesterday and is expected here on January 9.

"NEURALIA" SAILS

H.M.'s transport "Neuralia" which arrived here yesterday morning from Shanghai with units of the North China Command on transfer during the troop season, sailed for Singapore in the afternoon and is expected at Singapore on January 7.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMER

The B.L. s.s. "Palma" will leave Amoy for this port to-day afternoon and is due here to-morrow afternoon.

LOCAL SHIPPING

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

Liangchow (1,220) British, from Dairen, Amoy—B. & S.—24 passengers, 492 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 1,170 tons (through).

Glenshane (4,011) British, from Middlesbrough, Singapore J. M.—1,286 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 4,504 tons (through).

Chenan (1,354) British, from Canton—B. & S.—7 passengers, 281 tons general cargo (through).

Suiyang (1,594) British, from Canton—B. & S.—90 passengers, 210 tons general cargo (through).

Hanyang (1,356) British, from Canton—J. M. & Co.—110 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Mantua (5,935) British, from Yokohama, Shanghai—McMackenzie—38 passengers, 35 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 3,465 tons (through).

Aleore (3,241) British, from Bombay, Singapore—McMackenzie—435 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 7,269 tons (through).

Clara Jensen (1,145) Danish, from Saigon—Chang Tong Ha—209 passengers, 2,500 tons rice for Hong Kong.

Kamakura Maru (3,624) Japanese, from Yokohama, Moji—N. Y. K.—276 passengers, 164 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 1,662 tons (through).

Lushan Maru (1,507) Japanese, from Canton—N. Y. K.—4 passengers.

Kok Hing (121) Chinese, from Macao—Hoo Hing Co.—50 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Cheung On (150) Chinese, from Shanhai—Hong Hing Co.—95 passengers, 60 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Sun Kong (322) Chinese, from K. C. Wan—Man Yick—280 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

Departures.

For Hoihow—Menado Maru.

For Bangkok—Hermod.

For Macao—Shiu Hing.

For Port Courbet—Kenjo Maru.

For Singapore—Shunko Maru, Daviken, Cremer.

For Swatow—Chinkiang, Hydrangea, Hong Peng, Kok Hing.

For Amoy—Tjikembang, Chusan.

For K. C. Wan—Tin Sze, Tai Poo Sek.

For Hongkong—Toyo Maru No. 1.

For Saigon—Wong Shek Kung.

For Hoihow—Kwei Yang.

Clearances

For Saigon—Darcolla.

For Haiphong—Song Bo.

For Hongkong—Nittaga Maru.

For Shanghai—Glenshane.

For Swatow—Lushan Maru.

For Canton—Liang Chow.

Arrivals Departures

British 7 5

Japanese 2 4

Norwegian 0 2

Chinese 3 3

Danish 1 0

Dutch 0 2

French 0 1

Austrian 0 1

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CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of Cargo ex M.V. "Panama" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after Jan. 5.

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SUN. 13th MON. 28th

FRI. 18th

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The recent cable to the effect that Mr. Augustus John had been made a full Royal Academician will be particularly welcome to those who have examined the work of this exceedingly original artist, with a special gift of insight into portraiture. He declined nomination to the Royal Academy until April, 1921, when "forswearing the determination of a lifetime," he was elected an A.R.A.

It was as an exhibitor at the New English Art Club that he first came into prominence. He is notable as a draftsman, and has shown a marked genius for decorative effect, while he has most undoubtedly been influenced by

Cezanne and Picasso. So strong is his desire for decorative effect that he has been known to subordinate and, indeed, distort form for the sake of it. He is probably the greatest artist of the present day in his power of characterisation.

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ALPORE	5,273	24th Jan.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
MOREA	10,953	2nd Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
KIDDERPORE	5,334	7th Feb.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
KASHGAR	9,095	19th Feb.	Marseilles, London & Hull.
MACEDONIA	11,120	2nd Mar.	Marseilles & London.
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Sheffield Choir.

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"If You're A Friend Of Mine,"
Helen Gilliland. Soprano.
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"Hier Au Soir,"
Lionel Tertis. Viola.
"An Old Irish Air,"
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News Bulletin.
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T'iau via S'ow & S'hai	CHAKSANG	Wed., 16th Jan. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Shanghai, Moji & Kobe	FOOKSANG	Fri., 11th Jan. at 7 a.m.
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THE WEEK'S ORDERS

The following orders for the Volunteer Defence Corps are issued by the Commandant, Lieut. Colonel L. G. Bird D.S.O.:

Machine Gun Trophy
Sergeant G. H. Cuthill's team of No. 6 Platoon wins the Machine Gun Trophy for one year. The names of the team to be engraved on same are as follows: Sergt. G. H. Cuthill, Pte. J. J. Cameron, Pte. C. R. Logan, Pte. W. C. Tillery.

Field Day
On Sunday, Jan. 20, 1929 a field firing tactical exercise will be carried out at Fanling in which all units of the Corps will participate. All ranks are requested to keep the day open.

Musketry
The Portuguese Company will fire Part II Table "T" at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, Jan. 6, 1929.

Range Officer: 2/Lieut. J. S. Rodrigues. Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m. Dress: Musketry order i.e. rifle, belt, bayonet, braces and pouches. Uniform or multi optional. Arms will be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday Jan. 4, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m. and on Saturday, Jan. 5, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

This is the last day allotted to the Portuguese Coy.

Corps Band
The Band will parade at full strength for Band Practice at 5.30 p.m. at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, Jan. 8, 1929.

The Battery
Battery Dinner. It is proposed to hold the annual dinner either in the last week of January or the first week of Feb. 1929.

Will all members please advise the O. C. Battery, as early as possible, if there are any dates within the above period on which they will not be able to attend in order that a date on which the maximum number can attend may be fixed.

Engineer Co.
The Night Run for the Engineer Company on Tuesday, Jan. 8, 1929 is cancelled.

Corps Signals.
Monday, Jan. 7, 1929. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Signal Instruction. Dress: Musketry.

Mounted Infantry Co.
Thursday, Jan. 10, 1929. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for instruction on the Machine Gun.

Armoured Car Co.
Car Section. Friday, Jan. 11, 1929. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for run around the Island in the Armoured Car.

Motor Cycle Section. Mondays Jan. 7 and 14, 1929. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: Musketry.

Machine Gun Co.
The Company will parade as strong as possible in multi on Tuesday, Jan. 8, at 5.30 p.m. at Corps Headquarters to exchange all old caps and shoulder badges for new ones. All other kit deficiencies must be made up at that parade.

Musketry Part II. The last opportunities to fire are on dates as hereunder at Stonecutters.
Sunday, Jan. 6—No. 2. Platoon under Lt. J. Norrie Owen. Sunday, Jan. 13—No. 1. Platoon under Lt. H. Owen Hughes. Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m. Arms may be drawn from Corps Headquarters at times given below:

(Friday), Jan. 4 and 11, 1929, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m. Saturdays Jan. 5 and 12, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Dress: Rifle, belt, bayonet, braces and pouches, uniform or multi optional.

Scottish Co.
Thursday, Jan. 10, 1929. Platoons will parade at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: multi, as follows: Nos. 5 and 7. Platoons at Corps Headquarters. No. 6 Platoon at Kowloon Dock.

Portuguese Co.
Musketry Part II. The attention of all ranks is drawn to this Corps Order para. 3 regarding Part II to be fired by the Company on Sunday, Jan. 6, 1929.

Friday, Jan. 11, 1929. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. Everyone will be expected to be present.

Reserve Co.
Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 9, 1929 for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: Musketry Part II. Sunday, Jan. 13, 1929. Those who have not yet fired Part II Musketry Course will do so at Stonecutters on the above date. This is the last day allotted to the Reserve Company. Range Officer Capt. A. M. Thornhill.

Strength
The following recruits are taken on the strength and posted as under:

No. 1433 Pte. R.H.D. Wade, No. 1 Platoon, from 21.12.28. No. 1434 Pte. L. S. Silva, No. 11 Platoon, from 22.12.28. No. 1435 Pte. K. Stuart-Smith, M. I. Company, from 31.12.28.

Appointment
The following extract from the Hong Kong Government "Gazette" No. 55 dated 28.12.28, is published for information:

"His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to appoint Private John Durran, as Medical Officer in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with the rank of Lieutenant, with effect from Dec. 17, 1928.

Change of Name
No. 665 Pte. E. W. C. Alltree, No. 7 Platoon changes his name to Coulson by deed of Poll.

Leave
No. 665 Pte. E. W. C. Coulson, No. 7 Platoon sick leave from 20.12.28 to 19.3.29.

No. 1421 Pte. W. A. Simpson, Motor Cycle Section sick leave from 23.12.28 to 22.1.29.

No. 991 Sign. J. M. Shroff, Signals having returned from leave, rejoined for duty on 8.12.28.

Struck Off
Having purchased discharge, as from 12.12.28.

No. 1060 Pte. W. D. Owen, No. 1 Platoon.

Having left the Colony, as from 7.12.28.

No. 891 Pte. R. F. Forbes, Reserve Company.

Having claimed their discharge on completion of three years' service or over:

No. 385 L/Cpl. D. Lyon, No. 7 Platoon, as from 7.12.28.

No. 663 Pte. A. R. Cox, Reserve Company, as from 14.11.28.

Notice
No. 2 Platoon Rifle Club, will hold their next meeting at the Peak Range on Sunday, Jan. 13, 1929 at 9.30 a.m. sharp and it is hoped there will be a large attendance.

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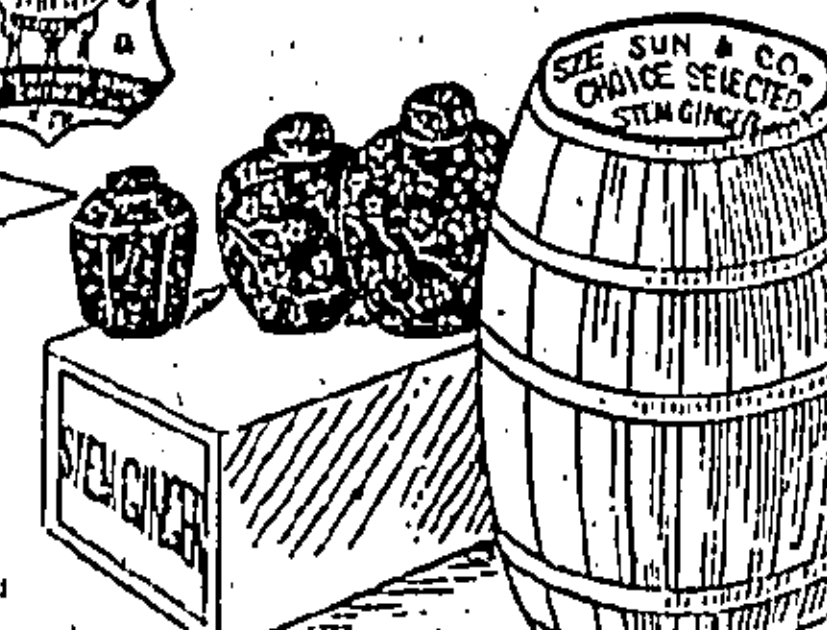
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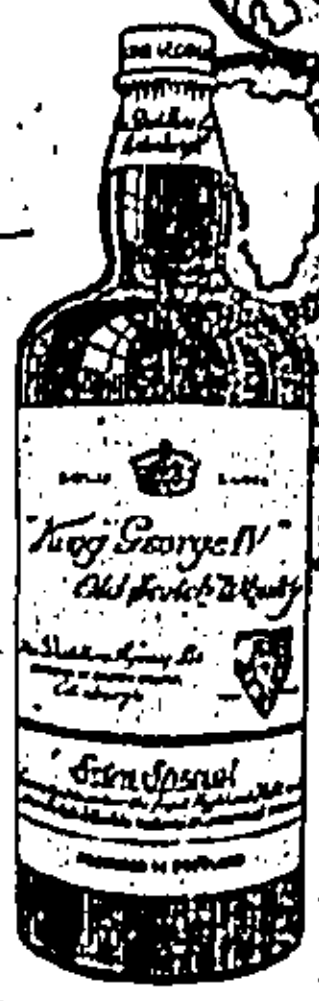
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ST. GEORGE OF ENGLAND.

Of the good and gallant Saint
George of Merrie England
many tales have been told
and continue to be told;
and most of them, like the tales
relating to the Patron Saints of
other countries, are obviously
more picturesque than authentic.
Just as quite a few Irishmen
insist upon the Scottish Patron
Saint—the good Saint Andrew—
being an Irishman, who left the
Emerald Isle "to Christianise and
civilise" Scotland, so Scotsmen,
with even a greater wealth of
detail, return the compliment by
saying that the equally good
Saint Patrick was most certainly
a Scotsman who, in the dim twi-
light of Scottish history, was
born at Dumbarton—(or was it
Greenock where to-day as for
many a year the fine ships and the
splendid engineers come from?)
—and who found it absolutely
necessary to go to Ireland for
precisely the same purpose as St.
Andrew went to Scotland. Both
holy men were evidently equally
successful in their high mission
and to-day, as for a long time
past, Saint Andrew, whether he
was an Irishman or no, is held
in high esteem by Scotsmen while
Saint Patrick, even though he
may have been a Scotsman, is
reverenced in Erin's Isle.

And of Saint George, while
Englishmen may feel much dis-
posed to regard him not only as
their Patron Saint, but as typical-
ly, in every respect, a true Eng-
lishman, many Scotsmen, and
Irishmen and perhaps Welshman,
too, say that he was a Roman—
a Roman citizen of Cappadocia!

Well, what of it? Patron Saints
are to-day, we believe, held in
high esteem not because of their
origin, but for what they stand
in the national regard. So should
it be, and so also should it be
that they typify the best of our
national characteristics. It is also
good that they should be com-
memorated in such societies as
St. George's, St. Andrew's, St.
Patrick's and St. David's for,
assuredly, such bodies preserve—
or should preserve—all that is
good in nationalism, and despite
what is frequently said regarding
the narrowing effects of such
societies, they obviously are bene-
ficial in many ways. They
foster an abiding love for one's
homeland, for its traditions, its
glories of the past and present
and its hopes of the future.

And so to-night local English-
men, in their corporate capacity
as members of the Society of
St. George, intend to fraternise
and make merry with their
friends. Such meetings are good,
if organised solely for English-
men, for they stimulate a love of
country and keep alive a salutary
interest in our homeland's
Patron Saint—the good and gal-
lant St. George, who slew
dragons and performed so many
other doughty deeds that he is,
very properly, held up as an exam-
ple of courage and patriotism, well
worthy of being followed by his
countrymen.

Disbandment

Foreigners in China will watch
with interest the proceedings of
the Military Reorganisation and
Disbandment Conference which is
reported to be sitting at Nanking.
On all sides it will be admitted
that the Nationalist Government
is tackling a huge and very dif-
ficult problem, and the general
wish must be that it will succeed.
As many as sixty proposals, it is
understood, are to be submitted
to the Conference, under five main
heads, comprising the eventual
strength of all forces, military
expenditure, military provisions,
employment of disbanded troops,
and the selection of garrison dis-
tricts. The whole question of
China's unnecessarily ponderous
military strength, it is seen, will
be reviewed; though the greatest
hurdle the Government will have
to negotiate will be the giving of
effect to whatever decisions
emanate from the Conference.

General Ho Ying-ching, who is
Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's right-
hand man in matters of a military
nature, has advanced an indication
as to what will be done after the
war-lords and others have ceased
talking. "The National armies, he
is declared to have said, will be
recruited into divisions directly
subject to the Nanking Military
Administrative Council. This will
mean the scrapping of the
recently-inaugurated Army Corps
method of troop direction, a move

which is not likely to find favour
with a large number of military
hangers-on in the Nationalist
camp ranging from Marshals
downwards. However, we can
but wait the findings of the
Conference and trust it will dis-
cover a solution to a state of
affairs—excessive militarism fed
by huge forces—which is truly a
menace to the country.

Rev. I. Mattuck, Rabbi of the
Liberal Jewish Synagogue,
preaching on the subject of
"science and Genesis," said:
"Alas! That religion should ever
have come to such a state that
they say that religion can be
served by silence. The God
of Truth is the God of Religion,
and they who speak must be fear-
less—they may not keep silent."
—"The Daily Mail," (London.)

Nineteen cases of small-pox,
all "Chinese," were reported to
the authorities yesterday.

A meeting of creditors of the
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ment Co., Ltd., will be held at 6,
Des Voeux-road Central on Thurs-
day, January 17, at noon.

TEXT OF TREATIES

FRANCE'S SUGGESTIONS TO
CHINA

UNSECURED LOANS

Shanghai, Yesterday.
The texts of the Sino-Spanish
and Sino-French Treaties are
issued. Both grant tariff auto-
nomy to China.

The Sino-Spanish Treaty gives
up extraterritoriality on the same
terms as Portugal.

Annexed letters to the Sino-
French Treaty state that the
French minimum tariff will con-
tinue to be applied to certain
Chinese merchandise, silks, lace,
tea and certain spices.

A letter from Count D. de
Martel (the French Minister)
states that the French Govern-
ment is prepared to open without
delay negotiations for a new con-
vention to replace the present
convention regarding French
Indo-China with no change of
status quo during the negotia-
tions.

Dr. Wang's Reply

The letter goes on to refer to
the desirability to abolish "hikin,"
and suggests allocation of funds
from the Customs for the service
of loans involving French capital,
the service of which has been dis-
continued. It will constitute a
measure apt to develop happily
the economic relations between
France and China.

Dr. C. T. Wang (Minister for
Foreign Affairs) replies express-
ing himself in accord with Count
de Martel's view.

Further letters state that the
status quo regarding French Indo-
China shall remain only until
March 31 if negotiations for a
new convention be not completed.
It is likely the negotiations will
commence this month.—Reuter.

LADY INVERCLYDE

ENGAGED TO BE
MARRIED

Lady Inverclyde, (recently
divorced) formerly Miss Olive
Sainsbury, daughter of Mr.
Arthur Sainsbury, one of the
heads of the provision firm, told
a reporter (in mail week) that
she was to be married to
Mr. James Pearce, "a very old
friend."

Lady Inverclyde, who is stay-
ing in London, and Mr. Pearce
have been friends for about five
years. When she was just over
18 years of age they were secret-
ly engaged, but the engagement
was broken off.

Miss Sainsbury, as she then
was, left for the Riviera, where
she met Lord Inverclyde, and
their engagement was announced
shortly afterwards, the wedding
taking place in St. Margaret's,
Westminster, in November, 1926.
Her marriage was dissolved when
Lord Inverclyde was granted a de-
gree of divorce in the Court of
Session, Edinburgh. The petition
was not defended. A Scottish
decree is absolute as soon as the
decree is granted.

"The wedding will take place at
a London register office next
week," said Lady Inverclyde.

EDNA BEST

MARRIED QUIETLY IN
CHAMBERS

Jersey City.—A three-year-old
romance of the British stage cul-
minated in the marriage last
month of Miss Edna Best and Mr.
Herbert Marshall.

Miss Best is at present playing
the leading part here in Mr.
Frederick Lonsdale's play, "The
High Road," and Mr. Marshall
is also appearing in the same play.
The couple were married in pri-
vate chambers by the local magis-
trate, and the guests included Mr.
Dudley Field Malone, Miss Fay
Compton, and a few friends.

DOCKYARD R.C.

DEPARTURE OF PROMINENT
OFFICIAL

MR. J. GRIMSTER

Mr. J. Grimster, one of the past
Secretaries of the Dockyard
Recreation Club, received a
hearty send off on Wednes-
day night at the Dockyard
Recreation Club when Mr. E. A. S.
Hayward, Naval Store Officer,
Hong Kong Yard, asked Mr.
Grimster's acceptance of a hand-
some souvenir contributed to
by his fellow members and friends
of the Dockyard Recreation Club,
Hong Kong, in appreciation of his
yeoman services to the Club and
popularity generally.

Mr. Hayward stressed the good
services which Mr. Grimster had
voluntarily rendered the Club and
also his services in his official
capacity in the Yard, and the
general regret of all at losing a
hardworking and popular official.

Mr. A. J. Ashby, Deputy Naval
Store Officer, occupied the Chair,
and during the various speeches,
which were of a very cordial
nature, a pleasant musical pro-
gramme was interspersed.
Messrs.—F. White, C. Bennett,
H. Beer, F. Jones, H. Annis, W.
Pearce, H. Crabbe, and H. Hopper
contributed to a very varied and
well-selected list of items, in
which the comical element was
ably sustained and well received.

Mr. Grimster, in rising to thank
the Chairman and Mr. Hayward
and the Company present, voiced
his regrets at leaving so many old
friends and pleasant associations,
and said he was deeply apprecia-
tive of the honour that night con-
ferred on him. The speaker was
enthusiastically received and
"Auld Lang Syne" was given by
the Company with good feeling.

Mr. Grimster, who has been as-
sociated with the local Yard for
the last three years, leaves on
appointment to his Home Yard,
Devonport, by the P. & O. s.s.
"Mantua," sailing for England to-
morrow.

ONLY A SCHOOLBOY

DEBTOR IN BANKRUPTCY
COURT

A LEGAL INQUIRY?

The Chief Justice (Sir Henry
Gollan, C.B.E., K.C.) directed,
when sitting in the Bankruptcy
Court yesterday, that the papers
in a case dealt with be sent to
the Attorney-General. This is
equivalent to a request, at Home,
for action by the Director of
Public Prosecutions.

His Lordship had before him
Chung, Kam-chin of No. 259,
Queen's-road East, 2nd floor, who
was referred to by Mr. E. L.
Agassiz (Official Receiver) as be-
ing "only a schoolboy" in experi-
ence.

Debtor is 24 years of age and
was educated at Queen's College.
On the recommendation of a
friend named Hui Hin-tat, he said,
who mentioned assets which did
not exist, he put \$1,500 into the
South China Import and Export
Co. to become a partner. The
firm had failed and none of his
co-partners was now in Hong
Kong, he added.

Mr. Agassiz observed that as
far as he could make out, debtor
had been swindled. His Lordship
remarked: Yes, I think this un-
fortunate witness, on his own
statement, has been completely
robbed and befuddled.

Debtor's public examination has
concluded.

SAD EVENT

DISTRESSING DEATH OF A
CHINESE WOMAN

THE INQUIRY

A verdict of "accidental death"
was returned by the jury, at the
Central Magistracy yesterday
when Major C. Willson, sitting as
Coroner, held an inquiry with re-
gard to the death of a Chinese
woman, named Li Shing, who was
killed as the result of a recent
tram-car accident at Praya West.

A motor-man, who was in
charge of tram No. 36, at about
5.30 on the evening of Dec. 12,
said that he was proceeding along
the Western Praya from east to
west. Another tram was coming
from the opposite direction, and
not until it had passed did witness
see a woman crossing the road in
front of his own car. He imme-
diately applied his electric or
emergency brake, but without
avail. The woman was knocked
down, her hair was caught by a
bolt and she was dragged along
by the tram for some distance,
until it stopped.

Mr. V. Walker, Chief Assistant
Engineer of the Hong Kong
Tramway Co., was also called to
give evidence.

The above verdict was returned
without attaching any blame to
the driver.

P'RAPS-P'RAPSNOT!

Uncle: "Only fools are certain,
Tommy. Wise men hesitate."
Tommy: "Are you sure, un-
cle?"
Uncle: "Yes, my boy, certain
of it!"

Proud Motorist: "Yes, it took
me six weeks to learn to drive
my car!"

Pedestrian: "And what have
you got for your pains?"
Proud Motorist: "Liniment!"

"Yes," said the globe trotter,
"I've had a good many adven-
tures. While I was in America
I hunted bear."

"Good heavens!" cried his
pretty companion, "didn't you get
awfully cold?"

"So that company you invested
some money in looks like becom-
ing bankrupt," said a man to a
foolish friend of his who had
taken the "advice" of an outside
broker.

"It does," was the sorrowful
reply, "according to all accounts."

"Are you used to large dinner
parties?" asked the mistress.
"Yes, I can serve both ways,
mum," replied the cook.

"Both ways?"
"Yes, mum. So they'll come
again or so they'll stop away."

The young man had just been
accepted.

In his rapture he exclaimed:
"But do you think, my love, I am
good enough for you?"

His wife-to-be looked sternly at
him for a moment, and replied:
"Good enough for me? You've
got to be."

A country butcher who had
been converted the night before,
began the next day with the
desire to show everybody the way
to salvation.

But his first customer was a
little girl, who ran home terrified
when the butcher, plying knife
and steel together, asked her the
soul-stirring question: "Are you
prepared to die?"

"Did you participate in many
engagements while in France?"
asked the interested old lady.
"Only five," replied the ex-
Artillery officer, with becoming
modesty.

"And you came through them
all unhurt?"
"Not exactly," he remarked,
sadly; "I married the fifth."

"Now, boys," asked the school-
master, "what do you know about
Hamlet's uncle?"

"Please, sir, he was better than
anyone else at shooting birds,"
replied one of the boys.

"Indeed; what makes you think
that?" asked the teacher.
"Well, sir, I read in a book that
he 'did murder most foul!'"

An employer said to a boy who
is always tired and lazy: Aren't
you quick at anything, Tommy?
Tommy: "Yes, sir I don't think
there's any one who gets tired
quicker than I do!"

"Pa."

"Yes, my son."

"What kind of wood do they
most use in tanning?"

"Well, when I went to school,
my boy, they used birch."

He was the only cheerful one
in that melancholy crowd who
waited for the dentist.

They looked at him in wonder
and envy when he laughed at the
jokes in last year's "Punch" in
the dentist's waiting-room.

His turn came at last. "Well,"
said the dentist, "an extraction?"

"Yes," replied the cheerful one.
"I've come to extract \$2 from you
in settlement of this account."

Two big country-lads were con-
versing in the street, when the
first exclaimed, "All the boys in
our village touch their hats to my
father."

"Why?" asked the second lad.

"Because he is the school-
master," was the reply.

"Why, that is nothing. All the
men take their hats off to my
father," said the second lad with
pride.

"And why is that?" asked the
first lad.

"Oh, my father is a barber!"

Two small fires, which occurred
last evening, were extinguished
by the Fire Brigade. The first
outbreak was of a chimney at No.
27, Amoy-lane, Wanchai, and the
second at No. 58, Hollywood-road.
Two engines turned out and the
flames, which had broken out
from a pile of bamboo shavings in
the kitchen, were subdued in a few
minutes.

H.M.I. CONCERT

A GILBERT AND SULLIVAN PROGRAMME

ENJOYABLE EVENING

The thanks of local music lovers was well earned by Mrs. Hargreaves-Brown for organising the excellent "musical" which was held yesterday evening at the Helena May Institute.

The programme, which was a delightful departure from the usual kind—that of alternating vocal and instrumental items—was made up entirely of well-known vocal numbers from several of the most popular of the Gilbert and Sullivan operas. The result was a very fine musical evening enjoyed by a large audience.

Those who took part in the concert, including several performers of the Philharmonic Society, acquitted themselves so well (in spite of the absence of scenery and costume and on a small stage), that it is impossible to single out any particular contributor for special mention. Every item pleased immensely, and the audience were generous with their applause, which was well earned.

Programme

- The programme was as follows:—
- 1.—Sextette Patience.
Mrs. Bellamy, Mrs. Womack, Mrs. Carnegie, Messrs. Annis, Richards, and Hargreaves-Brown.
 - 2.—"Three little maids" Mikado.
Mrs. Bellamy, Mrs. Womack, and Mrs. Carnegie.
 - 3.—"Oh Rapture" The Gondoliers.
Mr. and Mrs. Richards.
 - 4.—"As some day it may happen" Mikado.
Mr. Brock.
 - 5.—"Strange Adventure" Yeomen of the Guard.
Mrs. Womack, Mrs. Carnegie, Mr. Annis, and Mr. Hargreaves-Brown.
 - 6.—Song Haddon Hall.
Mrs. Womack.
 - 7.—Madrigal Haddon Hall.
Mrs. Womack, Mrs. Carnegie, Mr. Annis, and Mr. Hargreaves-Brown.
 - 8.—Mikado's song Mikado.
Mr. Brock.
 - 9.—Trio Mikado.
Messrs. Annis, Richards, and Hargreaves-Brown.
 - 10.—Duet Iolanthe.
Mr. and Mrs. Richards.
 - 11.—"Flowers that bloom in the Spring" Mikado.
Mrs. Bellamy, Mrs. Carnegie, Messrs. Richards, Brock, and Hargreaves-Brown.
 - 12.—"See how the Fates" Mikado.
Mrs. Womack, Mrs. Carnegie, Messrs. Annis, Richards, and Hargreaves-Brown.

MR. A. E. BROWN

FUNERAL AT HAPPY VALLEY

The funeral of Mr. Alfred E. Brown, of Messrs. W. S. Bailey and Co., Ltd., whose death from small-pox was reported yesterday, took place at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, last evening.

The Rev. W. Walton Rogers, minister of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, officiated at the graveside. In addition to many Europeans, including members of the staff of Messrs. W. S. Bailey and Co., Ltd., there was a large number of Chinese employees of the firm present.

Those present at the funeral included Mr. W. S. Bailey, Mr. C. F. Mendham, Mr. J. J. Cameron, Mr. H. Nish, Mr. J. H. Hunt, Mr. R. Hall, Mr. D. A. Goodwin, Mr. J. Fraser, Mr. P. W. Ramsay, Mr. J. C. Polson, Mr. A. Chapman, Mr. T. Ferguson, Mr. J. Jack, Mr. A. A. Dand, Mr. W. Borrowman and Mr. H. Hyndman.

Among the many wreaths sent were tokens from the bereaved mother and father, Mat, Isie, Frank and wife, Norah and Edie. Others were from the Chinese staff of Bailey and Company (three wreaths), the President, Committee and members of the Kowloon Cricket Club, Yau-mat Si-pway, the European Y.M.C.A., the Green Island Cement Company and the C.M.S. and staff. There were also many wreaths from individual sympathisers.

Describing the first paper hunt of the season at Peking, the "North China Standard" says:—The hunt was won by Mr. McBain, who has only recently arrived in Peking and who was riding for the first time in a paper hunt up here. His victory, however, comes as no surprise as he is very well known in Shanghai where his fame as a jockey is only equalled by that of his performances across country. He and Benussi, whom followers of form will remember as Mr. Loos William's griffin entry in the last autumn race meeting, will always be hard to beat, and they should give Mrs. Andrews and her fellow members of the Tientsin Hunt a great deal of trouble to prevent the Interport Cup returning to Peking.

Mr. R. C. Wilson, of Queen's College, was recently elected president of the Oxford Union.

AT KOWLOON

"WHAT HAPPENED TO JONES"

PORTUGUESE PRODUCTION

The three act farce "What Happened to Jones," is being produced by members of the Portuguese community at the Star Theatre on January 8 and 10.

The cast is as follows:—
Jones (Who travels for a Hymn-book House)

Leo D'Almada e Castro, jr.
Ebenezer Goodly (A Professor of Anatomy)

Frank H. Barnes.
Antony Goodly, D. D. (Bishop of Rallarat)

O. P. dos Remedios.
Richard Heatherley (Engaged to Marjorie)

Leo Guimaraes.
Thomas Holder (A Policeman)

Al Alvares.
William Bigbee (An Inmate of the Sanatorium)

J. E. Noronha.
Henry Fuller (Superintendent of the Sanatorium)

P. Nolaseo da Silva.
Mrs. Goodly (Ebenezer's Wife)

Elfrida Osmund da Rosa.
Cissy (Ebenezer's Ward)

Sylvia dos Remedios.
Marjorie (Ebenezer's Daughter)

Alda dos Remedios.
Minerva (Ebenezer's Daughter)

Olivia Barretto.
Alvina Starlight (Mrs. Goodly's Sister)

Hernida Leite.
Helma (Swedish Servant Girl)

Hetty Noronha.

"MOCKERY"

STIRRING DRAMA OF REVOLUTION

CHANNEY'S BEST

Lon Chaney, the man of a thousand faces is to be seen at his best in "Mockery," which began its run at the Queen's Theatre yesterday to well patronised houses, and will be shown until Saturday. Hong Kong cinema goers will remember him in quite a few pictures in the past, and many will agree that besides the terrible drama, "The Phantom of the Opera," his latest, "Mockery," easily outstrips his former successes.

One sees Chaney in a peculiar role as a lonely peasant living a quiet life by himself, in Russia, but who by an odd trick of fate, is thrust into the very pitch of a revolutionary struggle between peasantry and aristocracy. Then it is that the remarkable qualities of the "Chaney mannerisms" are brought to the fore in a story that shows clearly the terrible slavery of the peasants contrasted to the pomp, ease and luxury of the aristocrats.

But Chaney's fine acting alone is not responsible for the success of the piece. This comes rather from the brilliant supervision and direction of B. Christensen, who is claimed to be an authority of light effects on the screen.

Beside others, Barbara Bedford and Ricardo Cortez play opposite each other and afford an absorbing love affair to the play. Cortez plays as a young Army officer who is destined to strange adventures. Elaborate settings are afforded, and the picture is well worth attending.

"CIRCUS ROOKIES"

FAMOUS COMEDY TEAM TOGETHER AGAIN

The famous comedy team of "Rookies" and "Baby Mine" return to the screen at the Queen's Theatre on Sunday next in another excellent comedy "Circus Rookies," a hilarious tale of life in a big circus. Dane and Arthur are responsible for a riot of fun which the picture contains and, in their own inimitable manner, introduce a number of clever and original "gags." Dane appears in the role of an animal trainer and Arthur is cast as a timid Press agent who runs foul of the former from the very start and finds life pretty warm as a consequence. An exciting and amusing race over the careening tops of a speeding circus train when a huge gorilla breaks loose and takes charge of the engine, is one of the highlights of the picture. "Circus Rookies" is quite on a par with any of the comedians' previous efforts and presents the famous fun-makers in another delightful series of misadventures. "Circus Rookies" will remain the chief attraction at the Queen's Theatre until Tuesday.

The reports which were circulated to the effect that a Chinese boy had been trampled to death in the Stadium and that a rich man had been killed instantaneously in a motor accident in Rue Lafayette, were grossly exaggerated. Nobody was killed at all, says the "N. C. Daily News" to hand.

Two men were charged recently at Southend with breaking into a local newspaper office during the week-end.

"PETER PAN"

HOW TO IMPRESS THE EDITOR

JAMES BARRIE'S REFLECTIONS

Intimate reminiscences of the "illustrious pair, Meredith and Hardy," were related by Sir James Barrie at the annual dinner of the Society of Authors at the Hyde Park Hotel, London, recently. Lord Gorell presided, and the guests included Archbishop Davidson and Lady Davidson, Lord and Lady Cromer, Mrs. Thomas Hardy, and Sir Johnston Forbes-Robertson.

Sir James also recalled his own early struggles when he began by replying to an advertisement for a leader-writer—though he had never written a leader or read one.

"I wish I was famous," he said, "I mean just for this one night, so that I could do you credit. Even then I wouldn't take it on unless I had a return ticket."

"A friend of mine once said to me, 'Everybody is famous for something, and are famous for living opposite Bernard Shaw.' And now Mr. Shaw has gone from across the way, little reckoning what he has taken away of mine. Could I bring an action against him?"

Sir James said that he realised that he would be famous in the hereafter as the last male president of the Society of Authors.

"Interest in your president at last springs up in the Society," he continued. "What manner of man is he? you ask, and indeed I have sometimes wondered myself. How did he begin? What was his first work?"

"He began by replying to an advertisement for a leader writer on a Midland dilly paper, and somehow they took him. Result, transport, followed by a sinking. He remembered that he had not only never written a leader but had never read one."

The First Book
"First published book. It was a shilling one, and he remembers like yesterday the only person he ever saw reading it. She was a stranger to him and it was in a box outside Denny's bookshop in Holywell-street. He stood watching her. She was a brunette, willowy, but the chief thing about her was that she was reading his book."

Several times she tried to go away from it, but she had to return to it. Her tapered fingers strayed again and again to her purse. The sun was now sinking in the west. At last she went off without buying, but he felt that if the book had been ever so little better he would have got her, and it is undoubtedly owing to her encouragement that that poor struggler is here to-night."

Sir James, relating his "few words of reminiscence about our illustrious pair, Meredith and Hardy," said: "The one of them has told me how he said to rush round Hyde Park three times on end, flying from his misery, and I know a gate on which the other sat and wished he had never been born."

"When I came to London I bought a silk hat to impress editors, and with the remainder of the sovereign I took a ticket to Box Hill, where Meredith lived. I sat on the grass mound opposite his cottage, and by and by I saw a face at a window, the finest face I had ever seen on a man."

"I was to become well acquainted with both him and Hardy, and I don't know which was the greater, but the most satisfactory thing in my little literary history is that the two whom as writers I have most admired became the two whom as men I have most loved."

Dog That Listened In
Sir James told how he first met Hardy at lunch in a club in Piccadilly—"where they afterwards adjourn to the smoking-room and talk for a breathless hour or two about style"—and said that Hardy could scarcely look out at a window in the twilight without seeing something hitherto hidden from mortal eye.

"He has been called a pessimist. Surely pessimists are just people without any root to them. Was he that? Once when I was at Dorchester he showed me a letter from a firm which had presented him with a broadcasting set. They said they were delighted to hear from him that it gave pleasure, but that they were rather damped to learn from another source that it was not he who listened, but his dog. This was quite true."

They went to a local rehearsal of "Tess," and the dog behaved beautifully until the time came when he knew the wireless would be putting on "The Children's Hour." It was his favourite item. He howled for it so that even Tess's champion had to desert her and hurry home with him.

"Hardy could easily be hurt by not ill-intended pens. He had nothing to do, and without meaning to, they got in the way of his doing them, but he never desired his fame. If it could have been separated from his poetry he would have given it to any beggar at the door."

"When he published 'Tess' I warned him that he was heading straight for glory—and he winced. When 'The Dynasts' came out I

FORD'S RUBBER

WORKERS LEAVING THE PLANTATION

SERIOUS ALLEGATION

New York, Yesterday.

It is reported from Para in Brazil that the wages are insufficient, are leaving Henry Ford's rubber plantations through which he intended "to wrest the rubber monopoly from the British."

The Chief of Police of Para State is investigating the allegations of the newspaper "Estado do Para," which says that the authorities recently despatched arms and munitions to preserve order.—Reuter.

NO LICENCE

CAR OWNERS BEFORE THE MAGISTRATE

A number of European residents of Kowloon were, this morning, summoned at the Kowloon Court for driving their cars without a licence and for not having their cars licensed.

Lt. R. F. Wright, on pleading guilty, was fined \$5 on each charge. Mr. R. H. Charles also pleaded guilty, and was similarly fined.

Stating that it was owing to a change of ownership, Capt. J. Graham Shillington was fined \$5 for not having a licence.

P.C.'S EVIDENCE

Mr. E. W. Hamilton, the Kowloon Magistrate to-day, expressed annoyance at the inability of a Wellincci constable to give evidence properly against a woman hawker charged with hawking without a licence.

"I will not hear cases from these men until they learn to give evidence properly," said His Worship.

Sergt. A. Clarke said that the constable in question had passed his examination at the Police training school, and therefore should know how to give evidence.

Defendant was discharged.

said, 'Now you've gone and done it,' and I expect he said, 'We won't have that man at Max Gate any more.'

"Whatever angel guards the portals of Elysium, he must have had to push Thomas Hardy in. Most of them there are too dashing for that quietest figure in literature, with their Olympian revels and their boisterous talk about everything—no, not about everything—about style. He was not quite as others are."

Sir James said that in the "noble biography," of which half has just appeared, there was a passage that might be more revealing than anything else in the book—that in which they were told how from his earliest years Hardy disliked being touched by any one.

"I believe I can say that outside a relative no man alive, much as Hardy drew affection, ever put a hand on his shoulder."

In his youth Hardy used to carry in his pockets two dumpy volumes of verse. There were a hundred, a thousand, pencil marks on those two volumes that looked now like love messages from the young poet of one age to the young poet of a past age.

"What in human experience can be more stainless? I think Hardy's first words in the Elysian Fields were 'Which is Shelley?' Perhaps those pencil marks on the books are the scrapings of a skylark, trying to bring those two together, and succeeding at last."

"I have only one complaint to make of Hardy. He never read 'Wuthering Heights.' The reason he gave will make you like him more than ever. He said he heard it was depressing. Well, ladies, don't worry. I guess she will find a copy there. Our greatest woman."

Sir James, in closing, gave "just a word of warm greeting to those with whom the future lies. Your motto, I suppose, is 'Whatever is, is wrong,' and though it is possibly wanting in perfection, I am sure it is better than the one that I now see did for me. Whatever is, is right."

"Be bold. May you scale Parnassus, if you think it is pleasant up there. Hail and farewell. Is it true that some of you recently climbed a mountain to see the sun rise, and, when it rose, you didn't think much of it, so you blazed? 'Well, a magnificent gesture. At any rate, be forbearing, won't you, with the old 'uns' though we may occasionally forget our missions and steal out to smell a rose....'—Morning Post? (London).

Notice is given in the current issue of the Gazette that all cargo passenger boats must be registered in January.

Mr. N. D. Mudie, District Judge and First Magistrate, Penang, has returned from leave and resumed his duties.

IN OTHER PLACES

CHRONICLES FROM JAPAN TO JAVA

The next Singapore Assizes will be held on Tuesday, January 8.

Mr. J. Gordon Carrie has been appointed to be Deputy Registrar-General (Singapore) under the Statistics Ordinance.

Mr. George Sawyer, Superintendent, Posts and Telegraphs, Singapore, has been appointed to act as Controller, Posts and Telegraphs, Singapore. Mr. H. J. Harris has been appointed to officiate in a similar capacity in Penang.

Mr. T. C. Welch, D.L.C., A.M.I.A.E., has arrived in Ipoh to take over the management of the Cycle and Carriage Company as the present manager, Mr. D. P. Fletcher, is leaving to take up other employment in Penang.—"Times of Malaya."

There was a representative gathering in response to the invitations to dinner at the Hall of the Miners' Association, Seremban, recently issued by Mr. and Mrs. Yong Sam-thong on the occasion of the marriage of their eldest son, Mr. Yong Sze-lin, advocate and solicitor, Seremban, to Miss Koh Gunt-oh, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Koh Tiong-kim, of Kuala Lumpur.

Major-General A. E. Wardrop, G.O. C. North China Command, and Mrs. Wardrop, accompanied by Colonel Haskard, Chief of Staff, and party arrived at Hankow on December 19 en route for Chungking, the "Central China Post" reports. The visitors spent the night at Hankow. The party is purely pleasure bent and providing conditions are satisfactory it is understood that some shooting may be indulged in at Chungking.

General Macnaghten, who had the misfortune to break his leg in the first few hundred yards of the paper-hunt and who is at present in the Country Hospital, Shanghai is progressing favourably, and it is hoped will soon be able to be moved to his home in Kinnear Road. General Macnaghten would like to express his thanks to the two unknown men who so kindly drove him to the hospital after the accident, says the "N. C. Daily News."

The Chinese Ratepayers' Association are to lodge a protest with the Shanghai Municipal Council against the inadequate measures adopted by the police in dealing with the crowd at the Stadium to witness the Loh Hwa—S.R.C. football match. They further allege that the police, in handling the crowd, drew a line of distinction between foreigners and Chinese with the result that many of the latter were injured and none of the former was hurt.

A largely attended wedding took place in Tientsin when Miss Esther Zasnikoff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Zasnikoff, became the bride of Mr. Boris Z. Nachtmann, son of Mrs. Eve L. and the late Mr. Nachtmann. The ceremony was conducted by Rabbi Joseph S. Baronsky in the ball room of the Olympic Theatre. The bride was given away by Mr. and Mrs. W. Belner, Mr. Isaac N. Sapiro acted as best man and the bridesmaids were Misses Hanna Nachtmann, Gony Nachtmann, Froma Stokol and Sarah Topper. The ushers were Mr. Dave Habinsky, Mr. Jack Oder, Mr. Alex. Lazarovitch and Mr. Leon Britanitsky.

A very interesting point has been raised as to what constitutes a hole in one at golf. Playing against Mr. W. Bowling at Kiangwan on a recent Sunday Mr. E. A. Prince went out of bounds with his first shot at the sixth hole (164 yards). Teeling up again he sank his shot. So far as the competition was concerned he had to mark his card a two, but he has referred the matter to the manufacturers of the golf ball with which he played, and they have already decided that he is entitled to a box of balls for his performance. It is only fair to state that Mr. Prince was prepared to do the customary honours on his return to the clubhouse, but nobody was bold enough to give a ruling on the subject. If it is ruled that this constitutes a hole in one, we have Mr. Prince's assurance that the necessary observances will be forthcoming.

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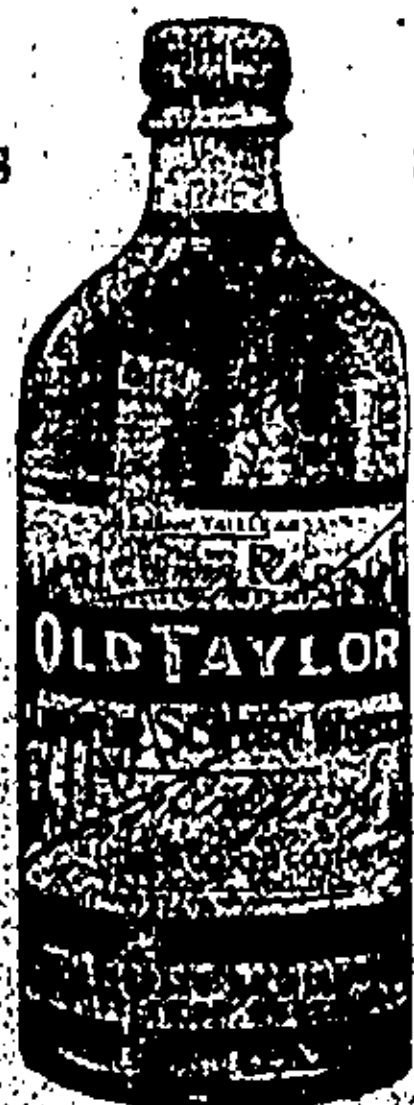
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Mixed Doubles Handicap
Bye:—Major Cox and Miss P. Heney (scr.); Lieut. May and Mrs. Miles (—5).

E. Grimble and Mrs. Tottenham (—30). Col. and Mrs. Wyatt (—4).
1st Round:—L. Goldman and Mrs. Blaker (—15.4), B. G. Grigor and Mrs. Grigor (—3).

T. R. Rowell and Mrs. Jeffries (—1), Capt. Roper and Mrs. Rule (scr.).
Lieut. Usher and Mrs. Remington (scr.). Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Raworth (—1).

J. Barrow and Mrs. Lindsell (—5), Captain and Mrs. Thorp (scr.).
Major and Mrs. Lucas (—15.4), Mr. and Mrs. E. S. C. Brooks (cr.).

Capt. Vedder and Miss Mackie (—3), Capt. Wernicke and Mrs. King (—8).
Dr. Tottenham and Miss Luard (—15.4), Capt. and Mrs. Sanders (—4).

Bye:—G. P. Henry and Miss Heney (—2).
Lieut. Tregear and Miss Hancock (—4), Major Ware and Mrs. Beamish (—4).

Lieut. and Mrs. D. Smith (—3), G. W. Sewell and Mrs. Hall (—5).
The first and second rounds are to be completed by Tuesday, January 15.

Men's Doubles Handicap
Bye:—Major Cox and Major Beamish (scr.); A. B. Raworth and G. Miskin (—4).

Dr. Newton and Capt. Sanders (—15).
1st Round:—Major Allen and Major Ware (—4.2), G. W. Sewell and J. G. Lawrie (—15).

Major Lucas and E. Grimble (—30), Major Miles and Col. Wyatt (—2).
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Major Flood and Major Flood (—4.3), Lieut. Gordon-Duff and Lieut. Lonsdale (—2).

Major Gaye and Capt. Thorp (—5), C. W. Jeffries and T. R. Rowell (—1).

N. Evans and D. M. Richards (—2), Lieut. Tregear and Capt. Vedder (—2).
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Men's Singles Handicap
Bye:—Lieut. Phillips (—1) and Capt. Manon (scr.).
Capt. Roper (—1) and Lieut. Metcalfe (—3).

Lieut. Kealy (—3) and Major Miles (—4.2).
Lieut. Keene (—5) and J. G. Lawrie (—15.3).

G. Miskin (—3) and Lieut. Tregear (—1).
Major Cox (—15.1) and Lieut. D. Smith (scr.).

Lieut. A. B. Usher (—1).
1st Round:—Lieut. G. M. Waters (—15) and Major Allen (—4.2).

H. R. Remington (scr.) and Lieut. Healing (—15.3).
Capt. Wernicke (—1) and Lieut. Walter (—1).

Lt. Col. Wyatt (—15.1) and N. Evans (—2).
Capt. Vedder (—3) and Lt. Col. Boyd (—15).

Bye:—Surg.-Lt. Comdr. G. H. B. Crosbie (—15) and Capt. Thorp (—3).
Sub-Lieut. Lonsdale (scr.) and J. Barrow (—2).

T. R. Rowell (scr.) and Lieut. Macintyre (—1).
Capt. H. W. Sanders (—15.3) and Lieut. Ford (—2).

Lieut. Taylor (—5) and Lieut. Grove (—3).
A. B. Raworth (—15.1) and Lieut. Sugden (—1).

Lieut. P. H. S. Reid (scr.) and G. W. Sewell (—30).
The first and second rounds are to be completed by Tuesday, January 15.

Mixed Doubles Open
Bye:—F. A. Redmond and Mrs. Miles, Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Tottenham.
1st Round:—Lieut. Atkinson and Miss F. Heney, Pay-Comdr. Herbert and Miss Luard.

Capt. and Mrs. Thorp, Lieut. Usher and Mrs. Remington, Lt. Goldman and Mrs. Blaker, Capt. Wernicke and Mrs. King, Major Lucas and Mrs. Grigor, Lt. W. Sewell and Mrs. Hall.

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J. S. McEachran and L. Goldman.
1st Round:—Dr. Newton and Capt. Sanders, A. B. Raworth and G. Miskin.

Bye:—Dr. Tottenham and Major Lucas, Col. Wyatt and G. W. Sewell.

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Major Allen and Major Ware, Lieut. Atkinson and Lieut. Grove, E. D. Lawrence and F. A. Redmond, Lieut. Ford and Lieut. Kealy.

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The first and second rounds are to be completed by Tuesday, January 15.
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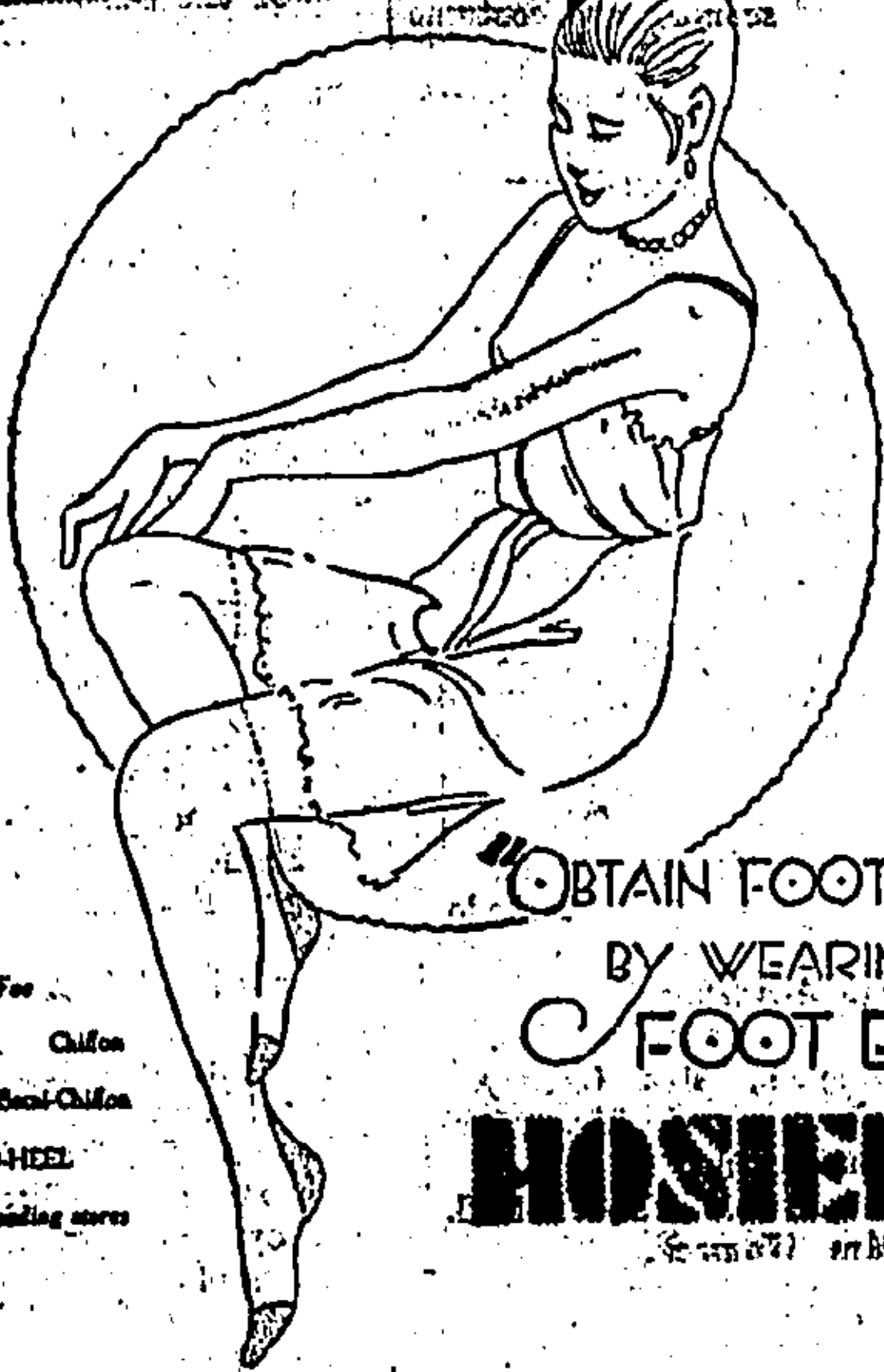
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Importance was attached by the leading papers at Home to this week's developments in China. It shows that interest is not waning. In fact, at this stage, with several epoch-making events to chronicle, there is an abundance of China news which will make welcome reading, in detail, to people in other parts of the world.

The Nationalist flag has gone up in Manchuria, indicating (at least) the nominal extension of unification to outside China Proper. The Disarmament Conference has opened. Mr. Edwardes has sent in his resignation as officiating Inspector-General of the Chinese Maritime Customs. His action was followed by figures showing a record year of revenue, due to the boom in imports to avoid, as far as possible, the higher tariff to come in force on Feb. 1.

The "Overland China Mail," the only illustrated weekly news budget published in Hong Kong, contains informative articles and reports concerning these matters.

"Local" news is also fully covered, among which are occurrences such as the three Police raids on alleged Communists in the Colony, the sentence to death of a man convicted of taking part in the piracy of a British ship, the trouble among the complement of the British s.s. "Darcia," and how Hong Kong spent the remainder of the festive season.

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[By "Rover."]

The League programme to-morrow will be very interesting as a full list of matches is down for decision. The matches with officials are as follow:—

Hong Kong League, Division I—kick-off 4.00 p.m.

Chinese Athletic v. Kowloon, Club ground—referee, Capt. Austin, R.A.

Police v. R.A., St. Joseph's ground, Happy Valley—referee, L.S.B.A. Atkinson, R.N.

Queen's v. Navy, Chatham-road—referee, Mr. Hollands.

Small Units v. Recreio, Sookumpoo—referee, Mr. Smith.

South China A.A. v. Club, Caroline Hill—referee, C.P.O. Cowan, R.N.

Hong Kong League, Division II—kick-off 2.30 p.m.

St. Joseph's v. Recreio, St. Joseph's ground—referee, A. B. Swallow, R.N.

South China B v. South China A, Caroline Hill—referee, E. R. A. Anderson, R.N.

R.A. v. Small Units, Sookumpoo—referee, Pte. Lamb.

Navy (Res.) v. R.A.F., Recreio ground—referee, Coxn. Willis, R.N.

Eastern v. Kowloon Res., Chinese ground, Happy Valley—referee, Mr. Stokess.

With four matches in the Senior Division at Hong Kong and one at Kowloon, all the senior Clubs with the exception of the 2nd K.O.S.B. Regt. are engaged. The Borderers with a fine victory over the Small Unit during the week have improved their position in the League.

The matches at Hong Kong are very interesting and the meeting of Queen's and Navy at Kowloon should provide a great game. I don't like the Chatham-road ground and it seems a pity that the Kowloon F.C. ground should be empty when there is a senior match arranged for Chatham-road, as I know that the Kowloon Football officials are only too pleased to lend their ground on these occasions for the comfort of spectators and the benefit of good football.

The Kowloon F.C. ground should, with the permission of the Club, always be available for senior matches, the same as the senior club ground on the Hong Kong side is on Saturday's.

The Athletic should get the points on the Club ground, as although Kowloon are four fighters, the absence of McKelvie, injured in the Army match, is a big loss. The Athletic are also fielding reserves, but are more fortunate in possessing many more promising recruits. On last Saturday's form the Athletic should get full points.

The Police are going stronger even than last season and I can't see the R.A. upsetting current form. With a cast-iron defence and forwards much improved since they have found a real centre-forward, Police are my fancy for full points on Saturday.

Queen's at Kowloon should, on form, beat the Navy, but the Navy put four players in the Civilian's side which so easily defeated the Army on Tuesday last, while the Queen's fielded seven men in the Army side. I think this match will be a pour one and I should not be surprised if Navy snatched a point, notwithstanding that

Queen's forwards have an occasional day out at Chatham-road as many visitors have found.

Even without Gosano, who is wisely saving himself for more important matches, and is, I know, carrying some old injuries, Recreio should at least get a point at Sookumpoo and possibly two against Small Units, who in an uphill fight have not yet struck first division form. Another enterprising forward or two would make all the difference to the Army XI, however, as the defence has under depressing conditions given a good account of themselves.

The star game of the day is at Caroline Hill where the Club, ever a popular team on any ground, will try where others have failed. South China is playing football that spectators delight in, while the Club possess an XI of undoubted merit. This match should provide a thrilling struggle as in Goldman of the Club, and Fung King-cheung of South China, two of the best centre forwards in the Colony will be on view. The Club has improved greatly since the advent of Goldman, and South China, although they have done nothing startling on their new ground, have given one or two big shows away.

The chances are very even. The superior combination of the home Club ought to give them the advantage and the points.

The best match in the Junior Division should be the Navy v. R.A.F. which if Navy win as they should do, will put them at the head of the table in the 2nd Division. I expect Navy to win although R.A.F. are a good lot, and the meeting of South China "B" and South China "A" should provide interesting local fare the anomaly of these two teams being

that the supposedly weaker team is better placed on the League Table. Wins for St. Joseph's, R.A. and Eastern should be recorded in the other matches. The League Tables to date are appended.

League Table to Date

South China, by their win over the Queen's Regiment go to the head of the League table.

In the Junior Division, the K.O.S.B. by dropping a point against South China "A" are now bracketed with the Royal Navy at the top.

Division I.	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
South China	8	7	1	0	18	6	15
Queen's Regt.	9	7	0	2	24	8	14
China Ath.	9	5	3	1	22	14	13
H.K. Police	9	5	2	2	17	11	12
R.A.	9	5	3	1	15	13	10
K.O.S.B.	9	4	1	4	23	12	9
Recreio	10	8	3	4	28	25	9
Kowloon F.C.	9	2	3	4	9	14	7
H.K.F.C.	9	2	2	5	14	10	6
Royal Navy	10	2	1	7	14	19	5
Small Units	9	0	0	9	5	37	0

Division II.	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
K.O.S.B. Res.	10	8	1	1	62	9	17
R.N. Res.	10	8	1	1	47	11	17
China Ath.	8	6	1	1	21	4	13
Queen's Regt.	8	5	2	1	30	12	12
S. China "B"	10	4	2	4	15	20	10
Eastern F.C.	10	3	2	5	17	21	7
R.A.F.	10	3	2	5	22	22	8
S. China "A"	11	1	0	4	14	23	8
R.A. Res.	9	3	2	4	18	33	8
Recreio Res.	11	3	2	6	14	38	8
Small Units	12	2	3	7	15	40	7
K.F.C.	10	2	3	5	20	33	7
St. Joseph's	11	2	2	7	13	22	6

As an Interport Trial the match, Civilian v. Army, on Tuesday last was disappointing and I don't think these sort of matches are of much use as a guide to form. In any case a probable or a possible Interport side after careful selection would be best tried out against a strong Club side, as the latter would strain their utmost to beat the proposed Colony's best; whereas in matches played by teams composed of many Clubs the result invariably is not worried about, so much as the individual player's success.

In some circles there was extreme dissatisfaction over the Colony's selection last year. I should like to see our probable Interport Team tried out against the leading Club in the League, before the final selection, and if the Interport team did not win with a bit in hand changes could be introduced in time.

The fancy dress football carnival arranged by the K.F.C. on New Year's Day was a big success and the officials of the Club have received many congratulations for a kindly effort for charity and an entertaining show, the result of the effort far exceeding expectations.

The draw for the 1st Round of the Shield Competition to take place on Saturday week finds Navy and Club de Recreio the lucky teams first out of the hat. It is rather surprising that the rules of this competition provide for no division of the gate between the contesting teams, the home team or first team out in each case taking the whole of the money. Rather too much element of luck about this arrangement, I should think, and I propose that the Hong Kong Shield Competition follow the lines of English Cup in this respect.

GARRISON LEAGUE RESULTS & STANDINGS

FUTURE FIXTURES

Below are December results in the Hong Kong Garrison Football League:—

R.A.O.C., 1; H.Q. Wing 2nd K.O.S.B., 5.

20th H. Bty. R.A., 1; A. Co. 2nd K.O.S.B., 8.

12th H. Bty. R.A., 1; C. Co. 2nd K.O.S.B., 4.

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R.A.O.C., 0; 31st H. Bty. R.A., 4.

B. Co. 2nd K.O.S.B., 0; 31st H. Bty. R.A., 1.

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GOLF

RESULT OF NEW YEAR BOGEY COMPETITION

FOUR PLAYERS TIE

There were 82 entries for the New Year bogey competition at Fanling, in which the following four players tie with cards of one down and divide the prize:—H. U. Ireland (7), R. H. Hollis (9), C. E. Holmes (10) and W. O. Fiddes Wilson (17). Other scores were:—A. H. Alexander (5), T. Ramsay (15) and D. G. G. Macdonald (2), 2 down.

The Medal competition and the Mixed Medal Foursomes competition were cancelled for lack of entries.

Ladies' Championship

The following is the draw for the ladies' championship to be played over the old course at Fanling.

Second Round (byes in first round):—Mrs. Cassidy v. Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Sherry v. Mrs. Sommerfelt.

First Round.—Mrs. Robertson v. Mrs. Tottenham, Mrs. Rowley v. Mrs. Redmond, Mrs. K. S. Morrison v. Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Piercy v. Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Whyte Smith v. Mrs. Oliver, Mrs. Pearce v. Mrs. Maitland, Mrs. Gilmore v. Mrs. Hannibal.

Second Round (byes in first round):—Mrs. Smith; Mrs. Sheldon v. Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Parker v. Mrs. Pilleau.

The first round has to be played on or before January 22, the second by February 5, the third by February 19, the semi-finals by March 5 and the final by March 31.

The Captain's Cup

The draw for the Captain's Cup (Ladies' Section) is as follows:—

Second Round (byes in first round):—Mrs. Cassidy v. Mrs. Rowley.

First Round.—Mrs. Parker v. Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Lisaman v. Mrs. Whyte Smith, Mrs. Sherry v. Mrs. Syme Thomson, Mrs. Hannibal v. Mrs. Piercy.

Second Round (byes in first round):—Mrs. Davison v. Mrs. Gilmore.

The matches take place over the old course at Fanling, three quarters difference of handicap allowed. The first round has to be played on or before January 22, the second by February 5, the semi-finals by February 19 and the final by March 5.

20th H. Bty. R.A., 1; R.A.O.C., 1.
A. Co. 2nd K.O.S.B., 4; 12th H. Bty. R.A., 2.
H.Q. Wing 1st Queen's, 3; R.A.O.C., 0.
B. Co. 2nd K.O.S.B., 1; B. Co. 1st Queen's, 0.
M.G. Co. 2nd K.O.S.B., 3; D. Co. 1st Queen's, 1.

League Table

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
H.Q. Wing Queen's	10	8	2	0	31	10	18
C. Coy. K.O.S.B.	10	7	2	1	14	20	16
A. Coy. K.O.S.B.	8	7	1	0	33	11	14
C. Coy. Queen's	10	6	3	1	29	17	13
B. Coy. Queen's	11	5	6	0	28	20	10
31st H. Bty. R.A.	8	5	3	0	25	15	10
M.G. Coy. K.O.S.B.	8	3	3	2	18	16	9
B. Coy. K.O.S.B.	5	4	1	0	9	2	8
H.Q. Wing K.O.S.B.	5	4	1	0	16	7	8
M.G. Coy. Queen's	8	4	2	2	21	8	7
R.A.M.C.	9	3	5	1	15	22	7
12th H. Bty. R.A.	7	3	1	3	13	11	6
20th H. Bty. R.A.	7	2	5	0	18	20	4
R.A.O.C. and R.A.S.C.	10	0	8	2	7	61	2
R.E. & R. Signals	3	0	3	0	12	5	0

Matches For Next Week

Tuesday, Jan. 8.—H.Q. Wing, 1st Queen's v. R.E. and R. Signals, Sookumpoo; Referee, Pte. Farnsworth, 1st Queen's D. Co. 1st Queen's v. 20th H. Bty. R.A., Chatham Road; Referee, Corpl. Lees, R.A.M.C.

Thursday, Jan. 10.—R.A.M.C. v. C. Co. 1st Queen's, Sookumpoo; Referee, Cpl. Hurst, R.A.O.C., M.G. Co. 1st Queen's v. 31st H. Bty. R.A., Chatham Road; Referee, Corpl. Pearce; 1st Queen's, B. Co. 1st Queen's v. 12th H. Bty. R.A., Happy Valley; Referee, S.-Sgt. Gilmore, R.A.M.C.

SAILORS' NIGHT

BOXING TOURNAMENT AT THEATRE ROYAL

TO-MORROW'S CARD

At the Theatre Royal to-morrow night the Hong Kong Boxing Association are staging another tournament which should prove an entirely successful one. The only matter for comment is that there are no soldiers scheduled to participate. This seems strange, seeing that there are two full-fledged regiments here besides other, if small, units. One regiment, however, is due to go to camp, and maybe that is the fate also of the other, which would explain matters to an extent.

Consequently it will be a sailors' spree at the Theatre Royal to-morrow. The big event is a championship contest, Signalmen Shons meeting Leading Seaman Mudge for featherweight honours. Mudge is reported to be a first-class man, and if he is as good as they say, he may reasonably win, for Shons has not shone over-much of late.

Ex-Champion

In a ten-round contest, at welter, an ex-champion appears in the person of Marine Fraser, who lost his title recently to Morris, who has just been beaten by Jack Creighton at Shanghai. Fraser, a willing fighter at all times, is meeting Leading Seaman Clayton, of "Berwick." Clayton, like Mudge, is an unknown quantity so far as local rings are concerned, but he comes with a good record.

Another ten-round will be between Leading Seaman Hall and A. B. Davies, at lightweight, and this should provide a splendid "go." At lightweight Stoker Carr and Stoker Walton clash over six rounds, as do Marine Wolford and A. B. Trimming, the latter pair being shipmates aboard "Hermes." Booking is now open at Moutries at the usual popular prices.

WATER SUPPLY

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on December 1, 1928:—

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS.

	1927	1928
Tytam	9' 4" B	15' 2" B
Tytam Bywash	19' 10" B	25' 8" B
Tytam Intermediate	L	0' 2" B
Tytam Tuk	11' 9" B	34' 11" B
Wong Nei Chung	12' 1" B	20' 7" B
Pokfulum	17' 1" B	21' 9" B

[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow"; A. denotes "Above Overflow"; L. denotes "Level with Overflow."]
Storage in millions and Decimals of gallons.

	1927	1928
Tytam	309.88	268.38
Tytam Bywash	2.78	.56
Tytam Intermediate	105.00	104.00
Tytam Tuk	1,146.25	707.33
Wong Nei Chung	16.52	9.45
Pokfulum	29.94	21.15

Total 1,701.25 1,201.83

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of November.

	1927	1928
Consumption	283.83	190.17
Estimated population	417,080	427,400
Consumption per head		
per day	22.7	15.3

Full Supply in all Rides Main Districts during November 1927 with the exception of the districts West of Eastern Street where an Interim Supply was given from November 18 to 30, 1927. Services to houses in the Rides Main Districts were disconnected and a supply was given by public street fountains daily during November 1928.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1927	1928
Kowloon Reservoir	8' 7" B	0' 10" B
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	0' 5" B	1' 10" B
Reception Reservoir	0' 7" B	

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1927	1928
Kowloon Reservoir	299.00	843.84
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	99.10	108.00
Reception Reservoir	51.61	

Total 399.71 462.50

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of November.

	1927	1928
Consumption	93.41	105.21
Estimated population	162,760	167,800
Consumption per head		
per day	49.1	20.9

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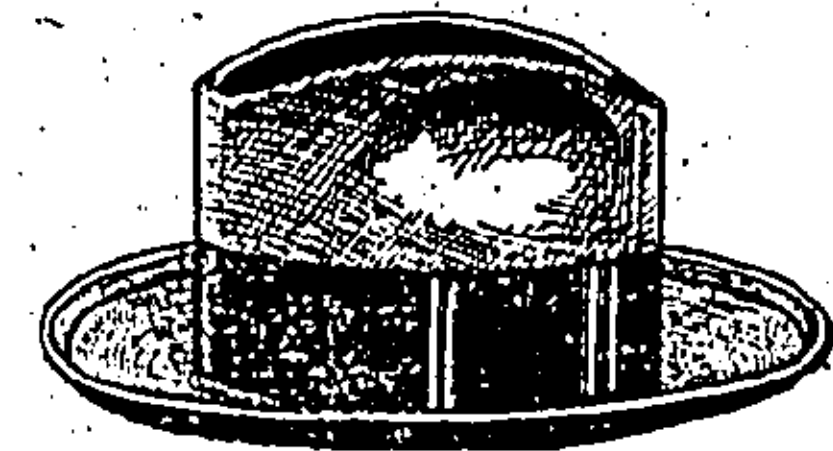
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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

University Men at Dinner



The annual meeting of the American University Club was held at the American Club, where a dinner was held. The speakers on the occasion were Mr. Sun Fo, Minister of Railways, and the Rev. E. W. Luccock, Pastor of Community Church. Mr. Luther M. Jee, General Manager of the Peacock Motion Picture Corporation, was selected President while Dr. Charles E. Patton of the Presbyterian Mission, was elected Vice-President for the ensuing year.—(Ah Fong).

Inherit Mammoth Fortune



The late Payne Whitney, sportsman and financier, left a net estate of more than \$178,000,000. Left to right, Mrs. Payne Whitney, his widow, to whom he bequeathed \$57,000,000; John Hay Whitney, his son, who receives \$27,000,000; Joan Whitney Payson, his daughter, who also is left \$27,000,000, and Payne Whitney Payson, one of the three grandchildren who is to share in a \$139,915,288 trust fund. She was born after the death of her grandfather. (Figures in U.S. gold dollars).

Of Brazil



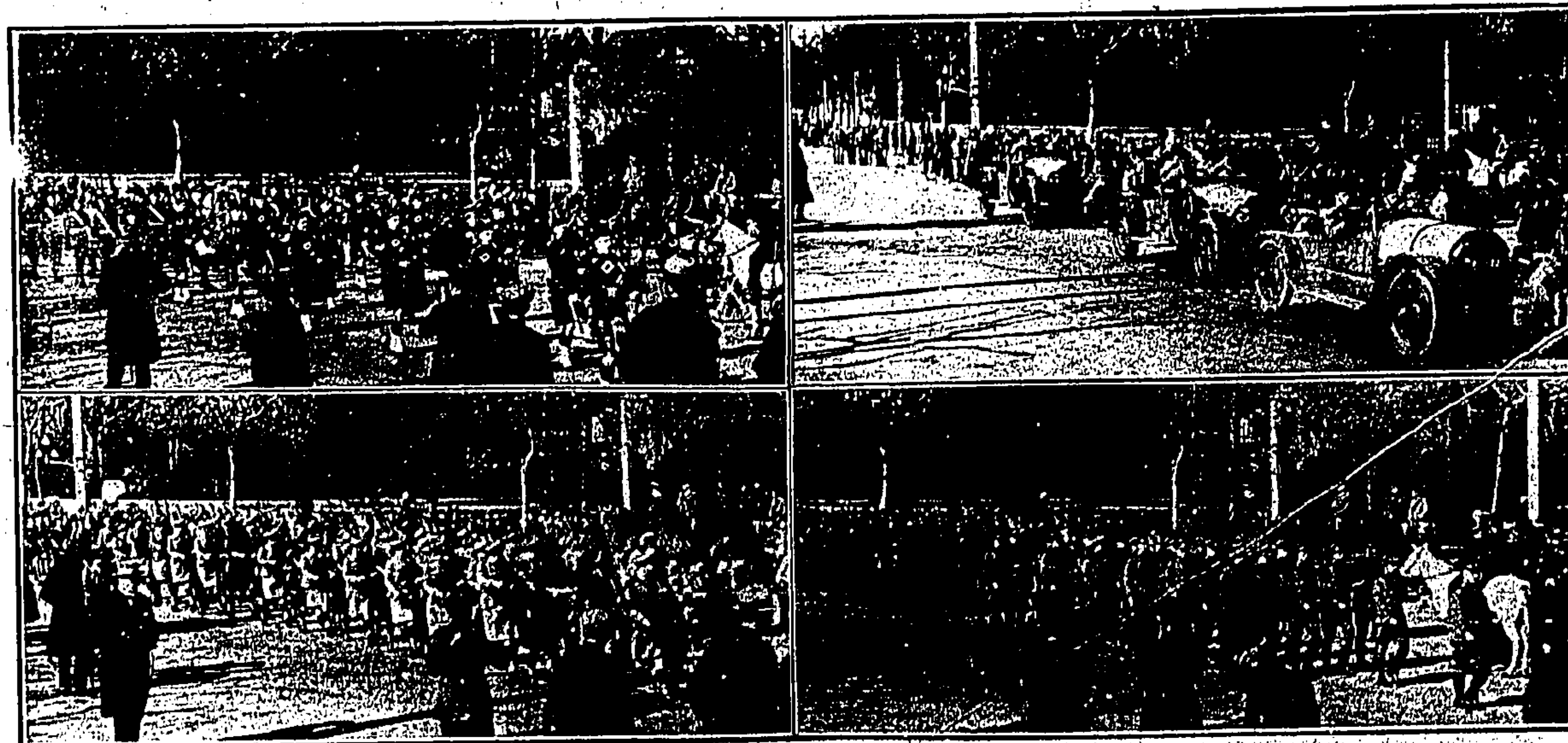
The well-known statesman and jurist and former President of Brazil, Epitacio da Silva Pessoa, who will seek election for the Presidency again in 1930. He will be opposed by Antonio Carlos, Governor of the State of Minas Geraes. At present, Mr. Pessoa is one of the Judges of the Permanent Court of International Justice.

In Memory of Captain Amundsen



The ill-fated Norwegian explorer, a dinner was held at the Majestic Hotel by the Norwegian community of Shanghai. Mr. N. Aall, the Norwegian Consul, who was a personal friend of Captain Amundsen, presided.—(Wei Fong).

S. V. C. Route March



Large crowds of spectators lined the thoroughfares when the Shanghai Volunteer Corps, in its first route march of the season, passed down Bubbling Well-road, along Avenue Haig to Avenue Foch and Mohawk-road, starting and ending at the Race Course. In the line of march were the Light Horse (upper right), the American Troop, the Field Artillery Battery, the Light Gun Battery, the Engineer Company, Armoured Car Company, Companies "A" and "B," the Shanghai Scottish, the Japanese, Chinese, Portuguese, American and Russian Companies and No. 1 and No. 2 Companies of the Russian Detachment, the semi-regulars. The Band of the 2nd Batt. Suffolk Regiment, and Pipes of the 2nd Batt. Scots Guards (upper left) played during the march.—(Ah Fong).

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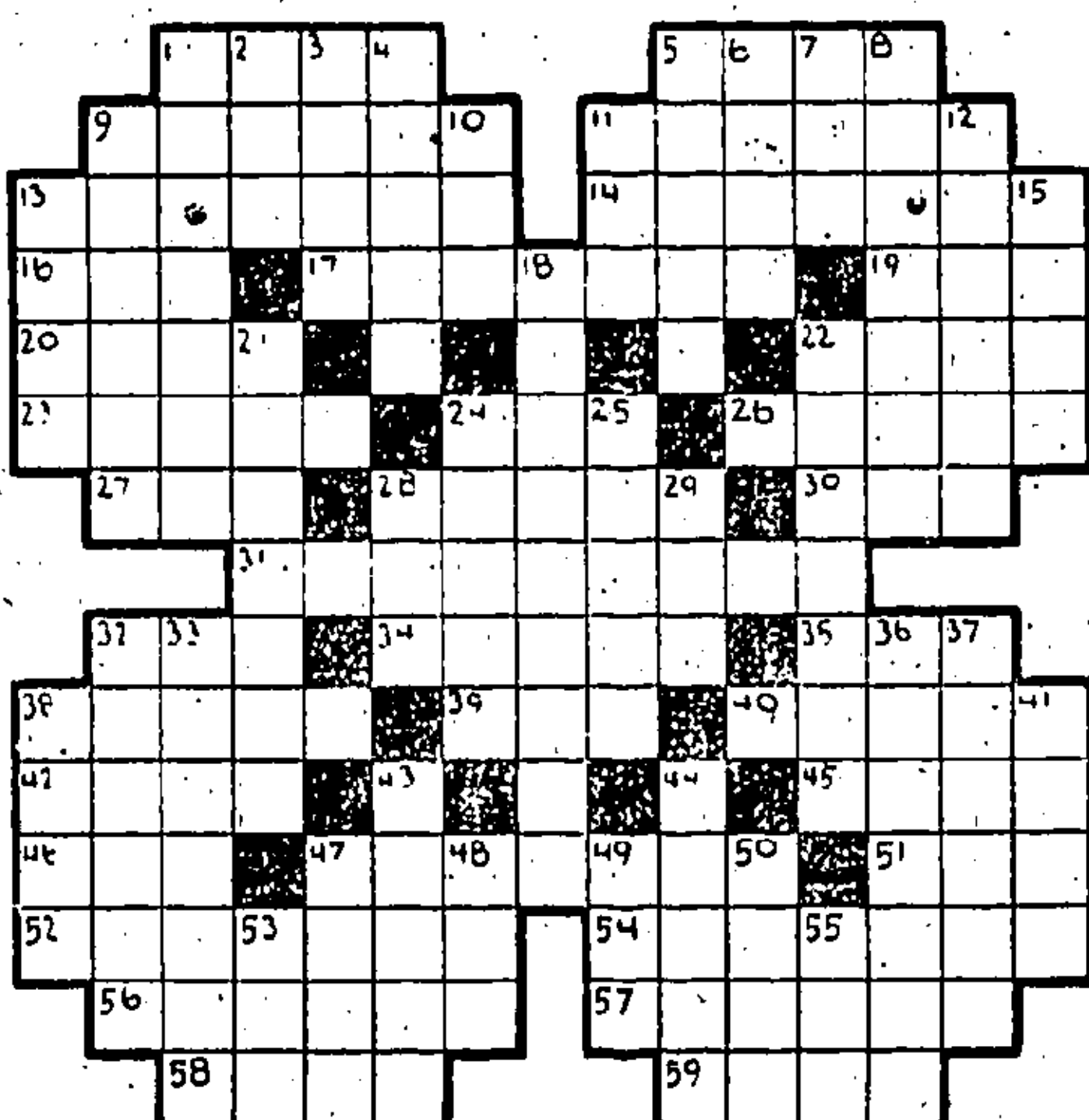
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Rough file
- 2-Tumor
- 3-Breakfast food
- 11-Scorched
- 13-Justification
- 14-Extortioners
- 16-Poem
- 17-Root-eating Indians
- 19-Prefix meaning east
- 20-Garrish
- 22-Unconvinced
- 23-Something affording great pleasure
- 24-The hook
- 26-Got on
- 27-Senator (abbr.)
- 28-Delighted in
- 30-Humans
- 31-To make a crackling noise
- 32-Insect
- 34-To prevent by fear
- 35-Fasten
- 38-A style of painting
- 40-Heracles
- 42-Mean attire
- 45-Begone!

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 46-French for "here"
- 47-Annula
- 51-Masculine name
- 52-A form of life
- 54-Wall coating
- 55-Tidler
- 57-Stagger
- 58-Worry
- 59-Affirmative votes

VERTICAL

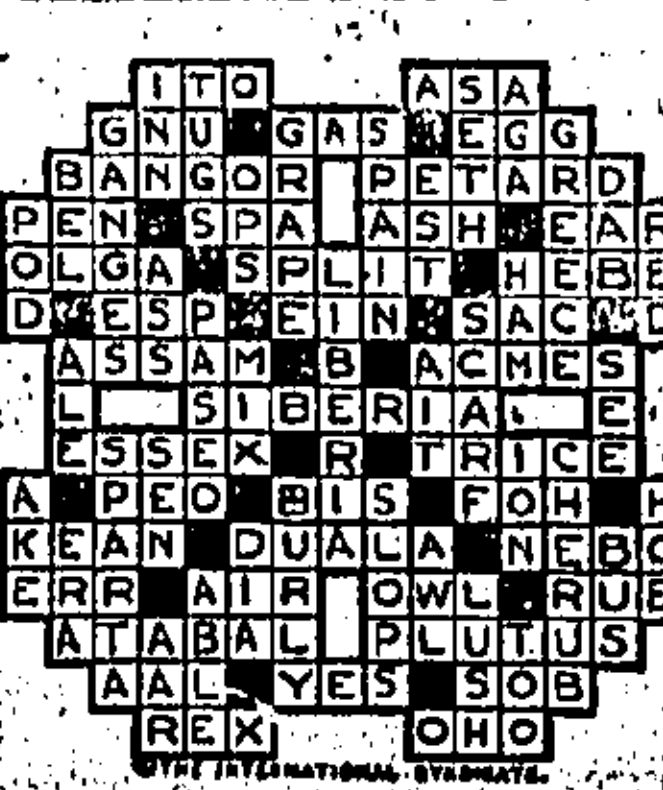
- 1-Umple
- 2-Metric measure of area
- 3-Dispatch
- 4-River in Philippines
- 5-Defy
- 6-Routing implements
- 7-Hobgoblin
- 8-Vacant time
- 9-Evergreen tree (pl.)
- 10-Support
- 11-Rider Higgard's most famous novel
- 12-Blunt
- 13-Stupid person
- 15-Vehicle on runners
- 16-Be naturally attracted

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 21-Those who move with measured steps
- 22-Name of several Egyptian monarchs
- 24-Expects with confidence
- 25-Allotted by measure
- 26-Took precedence
- 29-Patriotic society of women (abbr.)
- 32-Guiding signal
- 33-Locomotives
- 36-Animates
- 37-One who wears
- 38-Courage
- 41-Chief actor
- 43-Renovate
- 44-Mixture of metals
- 47-Ceremony
- 48-Prefix meaning through
- 49-Skillful
- 50-Satire
- 53-East Indian bagging
- 55-Musical term, as it is written

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



HONG KONG HEIGHTS

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:

Island.	Feet.
Victoria Peak	1822
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Mt. Davis	877
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Mainland.	Feet.
Tai Mo Shan	3124
Kowloon Peak	1971

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MACDONA PLAYERS

SHAW SEASON OPENS ON MONDAY

ARTISTES AND PIECES

The Macdonna Players, opening at the Theatre Royal on Monday evening, have a splendid show repertoire. Among the plays to be shown (see advertisement for dates) is "Pygmalion," a comedy which tells how a London flower girl was turned into a society lady in six months by an irritable professor of pronunciation and his bachelor friend. It offers many opportunities for Shaw's delightful humour and is a most interesting character study.

Then follows "You Never Can Tell" another comedy of the bailing of an old fashioned father by two sprightly youngsters. A waiter whose son is a K.C. is one of Shaw's most amusing characters and he manages to put everything right.

"The Doctor's Dilemma" is in a more tragic vein. A group of important medical men have to decide whether they will save the life of an artist who though utterly worthless in himself has a wonderful talent, and a charming wife, or an honest though prosaic fellow medico.

"Man and Superman" is at once a comedy and a philosophy. Mr. Shaw, in his preface to this play, says: "Man is no longer like Don Juan, victor in the duel of sex. Whether he has ever really been may be doubted; at all events the enormous superiority of women's natural position in this matter is telling with greater and greater force."

"Ann Whitfield" and "John Tanner" are types whom you will meet every day but their problems make one of the most interesting plays by the man who is certainly the most interesting of living dramatists.

"Mrs. Warren's Profession" was banned by the censor until 1924 when Mr. Macdonna was instrumental in getting it released. It deals in a striking fashion with a great social problem and offers much food for thought. The play is intensely dramatic and though written over thirty years ago is by no means out of date.



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R.A. OF MUSIC

VERDI'S REQUIEM IS PRESENTED

The students of the Royal Academy of Music deserve to be warmly congratulated on the performance of Verdi's Requiem they gave at the Queen's Hall, under the conductorship of Sir Henry Wood—a performance which in some respects more experienced musicians may well have envied.

Sir Henry Wood has given us with this rendering another proof of the fine results which can be obtained from students when their enthusiasm is properly directed and strong discipline does the office of experience.

The chorus and the orchestra performed the work in a way that made doubt on this latter point impossible. The tempi seemed to err a trifle here and there, but as regards cleverness of attack, ensemble, and beauty of tone nothing but high and unqualified praise can do justice to them.

The soloists were less happy in their work. It is just because Verdi's music is so simple that it needs for its full effect to be interpreted with the very greatest care by those who, possessing great resources, can husband them until the moment to give without stint arrives. Such a task is inevitably reserved for singers of vast experience as well as uncommon natural gifts.

A Film Star



Marion Davies

The soloists. (Miss Jessie Hewson, Miss Valetta Jacopi, Mr. Wilfred Miles, and Mr. Edgar Elmer) were able and promising, but they are students. In the circumstances, it seems more important to praise their pluck than to point out their failings. Nothing is more valuable for the soldier's training than a field-day under war conditions. This performance of the Requiem may be likened to manoeuvres under war conditions and under the supervision of a general whose experience of the war game is practically limitless. F. B.

HIT BY CINEMA

UNEMPLOYED MUSIC HALL ARTISTS

Miss Lottie Albert (Mrs. Oscar Osborn), presiding at the meeting of the Music Hall Ladies' Guild at the Variety Artists' Federation, Charing-cross-road, W.C., said that the variety artists' profession had been badly hit by the cinema.

"There would be as many as twenty 'turns' at a theatre in the old days, but now it is reduced to about two at a cinema. This means that the remaining eighteen artists are thrown out of employment."

Speaking of the greater number of entertainments in aid of charity, Mrs. Osborn said that there was spreading a "sort of new industry," which was a professional organisation of Sunday concerts. The organisers should pay a certain percentage of their profits to the performers.

Charles Rogers



A Hollywood actor who wrote the song, "Some One to Love."

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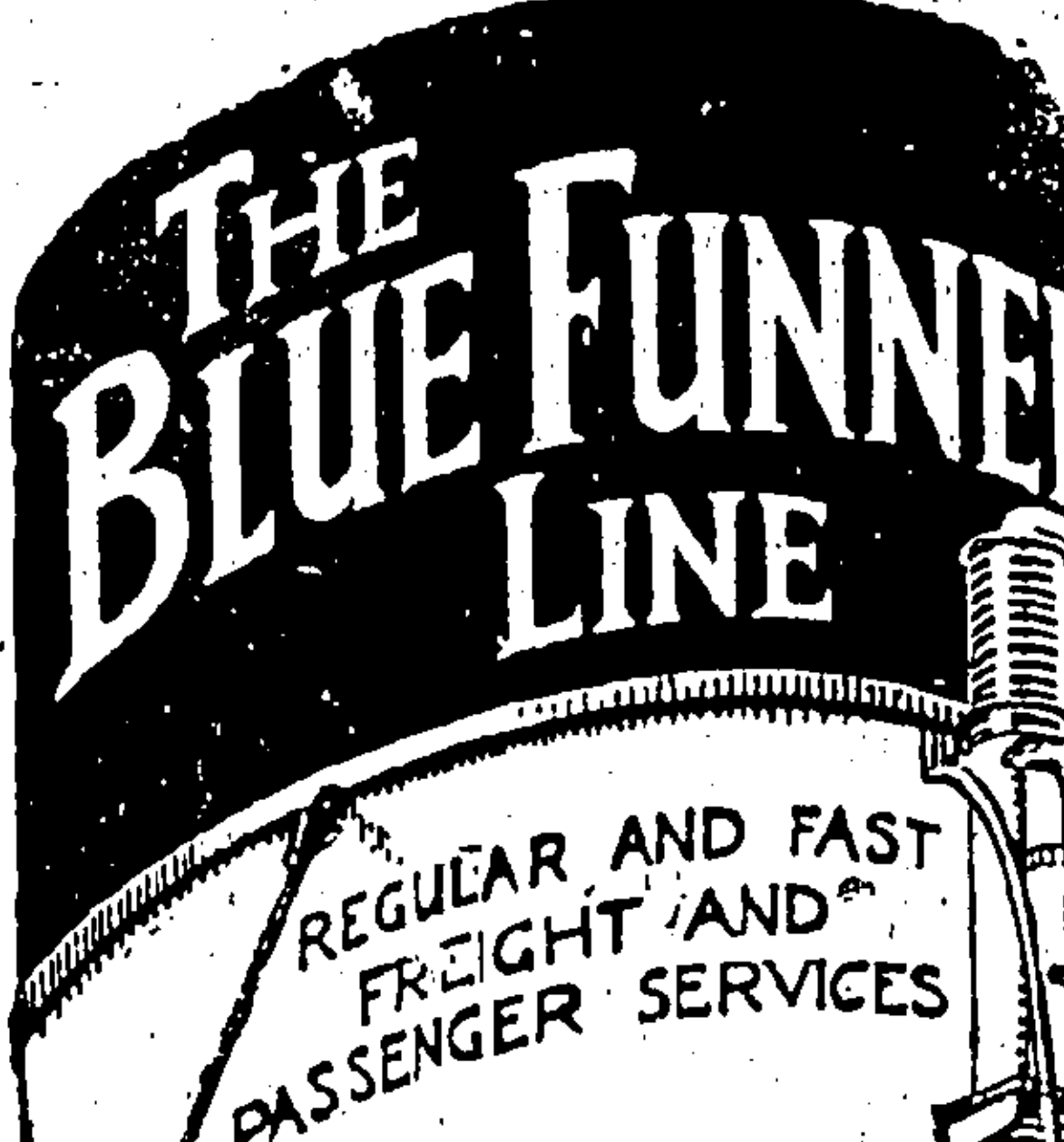
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Europe via Suez (Letters and papers, London, 6th Dec. and parcels 29th Nov.)	Morea	
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	President McKinley	
SATURDAY, JANUARY 5.		
Australia & Manila	Taipei	
Japan	Burma Maru	
Shanghai and Swatow	Shantung	
SUNDAY, JANUARY 6.		
Shanghai and Swatow	Yunnan	
Straits	Suwa Maru	
MONDAY, JANUARY 7.		
Australia & Manila	Arafura	
Manila	President Taft	

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	FRIDAY, JANUARY 4.
Japan	Allipore	3.30 p.m.
Mombasa, Lourenco-Marques and South Africa via Singapore	Kamakura Maru	3.30 p.m.
Tourane	Chung Kuo	3.30 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kong So	4 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Sunkong	5 p.m.
Amoy	Santhia	5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 1st Feb., 1929. K.P.O. Parcels (Jan. 4) 4.30 p.m. Registration (Jan. 5) 9 a.m. Letters (Jan. 5) 10 a.m. G.P.O. Parcels (Jan. 5) 5 p.m. Registration (Jan. 5) 9.45 a.m. Letters (Jan. 5) 10.30 a.m.	Mantua	
SATURDAY, JANUARY 5.		
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Australia (except Thursday Island and Cairns) and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 22nd Jan. Registration (Jan. 5) 4.15 p.m. Letters (Jan. 5) 5 p.m.	Burma Maru	
Manila	President McKinley	4.30 p.m.
Holhow and Haiphong	New Mathilde	5 p.m.
Shanghai and Dairen	Langchow	6 p.m.
SUNDAY, JANUARY 6.		
Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Changtu	8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kalgan	9 a.m.
MONDAY, JANUARY 7.		
Shanghai and Japan	Suwa Maru	10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	2.30 p.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

GERMANY AND THE REPARATIONS

THE GILBERT REPORT AROUSES STRONG FEELING THROUGHOUT COUNTRY

THE PAYMENTS
Berlin, Yesterday.
German labour, while recognising the reparations obligations, objects to working below the level of civilised existence. This is the comment of the Socialist "Vorwaerts" and is symptomatic of the temper aroused by Mr. Parker Gilbert's report.
The organ of Dr. Stresemann's Party hopes that the experts at the forthcoming conference will make up for the shortcomings of Mr. Gilbert's report, otherwise the conference will be a failure.
The Social Democratic organ declares that German's payments have been, so far, only possible through foreign loans.—Reuter.

ST. GEORGE'S BALL

OFFICIAL SUPPER PARTY LIST

THE SUB-COMMITTEES

The Society of St. George, Hong Kong, held their annual ball in the City Hall to-night.
Those taking part in the "official Lancers" will be as follows:—
President's Set:—Lt.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O. and Mrs. Southern, H.E. the Officer Administering the Government and Lady Pollock, H.E. Major-Gen. C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G. and Lady Tyrwhitt, Comdr. R. A. S. Hill and Mrs. Luard.
Vice-President's Set:—Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton and Mrs. Alabaster, M.B.E., Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E. and Mrs. Shenton, Mr. C. G. Alabaster, O.B.E., K.C. and Mrs. Creasy, M.B.E., K.C. and Mrs. Luard.

Official Supper Party

The official supper party will be as follows:—

The President and Mrs. Southern, H.E. the Officer Administering the Government and Mrs. Bird.
The Vice-President and Lady Tyrwhitt.

H.E. Major-Gen. C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G. and Lady Pollock.
Commodore R. A. S. Hill and Mrs. Luard.

Sir Henry Gollan, C.B.E., K.C. and Mrs. Shenton.
Hon. Sir Joseph Kemp, C.B.E., K.C. and Mrs. Creasy, M.B.E.

Chieftain of St. Andrew's Society and Mrs. Wynne-Jones.
President of St. David's Society and Mrs. Mackie.

Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E. and Lady Chow.
Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow and Mrs. Swann.

Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy, C.B.E. and Mrs. Alabaster, M.B.E.
Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D. and Mrs. Harston.

Mr. Justice Jacks and Mrs. Kotewall.
Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes and Mrs. Jacks.

Mr. H. R. B. Hancock and Mrs. Skinner.
Colonel R. B. Skinner, O.B.E. and Mrs. Hynes.

The Very Rev. A. Swann, D.S.C. and Mrs. Hancock.
Dr. G. Montague Harston and Mrs. Cock.

Mr. C. G. Alabaster, O.B.E., K.C. and Mrs. Bellamy.
Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E. and Mrs. Dowling.

Mr. H. B. L. Dowling and Mrs. Lindsell.
Mr. E. Cook and Miss Tynwhitt.

Mr. F. A. Perry and Miss Luard.
Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy and Mrs. Sommerfeldt.

Mr. R. E. Lindsell and Mrs. Marcel.
Mr. G. F. Marcel and Mrs. Comyn.

Mr. S. T. Butlin and Miss Johnson.
The Committee.

The Society's committees are as follows:—
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Dr. G. Montague Harston, Mr. W. A. Dowley and Mr. C. G. Alabaster, O.B.E., K.C. (Past President), Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, Mr. J. Bentley, Mr. P. S. Cassidy, Mr. E. Cook, M.B.E., Hon. Mr. W. T. Creasy, C.B.E., Mr. H. R. B. L. Dowling, Mr. W. J. Eldridge.

AMERICA AND AVIATION

SOMETHING NEW

A FLIGHT THAT MIGHT CONTINUE FOR WEEKS

RE-FUELLING PROBLEM

Los Angeles, Yesterday.
The three-engined Fokker Monoplane "Question Mark," which went aloft on January 1, was still flying at 8 p.m. yesterday, after several refuellings in the air by means of a hosepipe from an aeroplane overhead.
This has demonstrated that fuel is thus transferable more quickly than on the ground.
It is believed that a flight might continue for weeks.—Reuter's American Service.

FINE WEATHER

N. E. winds, moderate; fine, is the forecast until noon to-morrow.
The typhoon has passed into the Pacific to the N. E. of Japan.
An anti-cyclone is central over the Yangtze Valley.
Fresh monsoon may be expected over the China Sea.

PTE. JAMES BOYLE

HEARS BETTER NEWS AT THE MAGISTRACY

ANOTHER REMAND

More reassuring news was heard by Private James Boyle, of the K.O.S.B., in Mr. R. E. Lindsell's Court at the Central Magistracy this morning, when he made another appearance in connection with a charge against him of the attempted murder of Sergeant A. Kerr of the same regiment, by stabbing him in the ribs with a mess knife on board H.M. Transport "Somersetshire" on the night of October 19-20, 1923, whilst on the high seas between Aden and Colombo.
Sergeant Kerr, who was landed and removed to hospital at Colombo in a serious condition, was at first reported to be progressing favourably, but some three weeks ago a telegram was received here reporting a relapse and his condition was precarious, so that for a time there was the possibility of Boyle having to face a charge of murder, should the N.C.O. succumb to his injury.
Boyle's suspense was lifted this morning when Detective Inspector Lane reported to His Worship that a telegram had been received here reporting that Sergeant Kerr had now been removed from the danger list and was progressing well. A cable had been sent from Hong Kong inquiring when the Sergeant would be able to travel to the Colony, but no answer had been received yet.
The Magistrate accordingly gave another week's formal remand.

Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E., Mr. R. E. Lindsell, Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. F. A. Perry, Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Mr. C. P. Marcel (Hon. Treasurer), Mr. S. T. Butlin (Hon. Secretary).

Invitation and Reception:—Lt. Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O. (chairman), Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Hon. Sir H. E. Pollock, K.C., LL.D., Mr. H. R. B. Hancock, Dr. G. Montague Harston, Mr. W. A. Dowley, Mr. C. G. Alabaster, O.B.E., K.C., Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E.

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Cock Room:—Dr. G. Montague Harston (chairman), Mr. R. E. Lindsell, Mr. C. G. Wood, Mr. J. Bentley.

Card Room:—Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy (chairman), Mr. H. C. Reeker, Mr. P. S. Cassidy, Mr. E. J. Edwards.

Wines and Supper:—Mr. W. J. Eldridge (chairman), Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. F. A. Perry, Mr. V. C. Labrum, Mr. G. E. Labrum, Mr. S. Baker, Mr. F. G. Herdridge, Mr. J. P. Robinson, Mr. D. Sherman, Mr. J. Smith, Mr. W. W. Hornell.

DUTCH EXPERIMENTAL FLIGHTS

TO EAST INDIES

THE USE OF IRAQI MILITARY AERODROMES

PERMIT QUESTION

The Hague, Yesterday.
Explaining the suspension of the experimental flights of Dutch aeroplanes to and from the Dutch East Indies an official statement points out that the machines must use certain military aerodromes in Iraq and that the increased number of civilian flights caused too much inconvenience. Therefore, the British Government was unable to continue to permit civil aircraft to use these aerodromes until the inconvenience had been obviated.
The Dutch Government is proceeding to ascertain definitely when the use of the aerodromes will again be possible.—Reuter.

AN EXPLOSION

INQUIRY INTO A WOMAN'S DEATH

EXPERT EVIDENCE

Yesterday afternoon, Mr. R. E. Lindsell and a Coroner's Jury held an inquiry into the circumstances attending the death of a Chinese woman, following an explosion at the Fung Keung Rubber Factory, Shaikwan, on December 17, 1923. The Coroner told the jury that it was their duty to determine whether or not there was any negligence in connection with the working of a boiler which exploded in the factory, and if so, what amount of negligence. It was also within the jury's province to make any recommendation they thought fit, for the control of boilers in Chinese factories.
Dr. Alexander Cannon, in charge of Victoria Mortuary, who held the post mortem examination, gave evidence that death was primarily due to multiple injuries, and secondarily to shock and haemorrhage. The liver, spleen, left lung and heart were ruptured.

The explosion.
Evidence was given by a fellow worker of the deceased that the boiler suddenly exploded at about 7 p.m., on December 17. The boiler was in the main work room of the factory. There were altogether three boilers in this work room. Opposite the boiler which exploded was a table at which witness and the deceased sat. The witness was on the far side, whilst the deceased was not more than 15 feet away from the boiler. After the explosion, the wall began to fall over witness's head. She could not say more of what happened after that. As a result of the explosion, witness spent six days in hospital.

An Engineer's Evidence.
Technical evidence was given by Mr. R. S. Logan, an engineer of the P. W. D. He examined the scene of the explosion on December 27. There he found three vulcanising chambers, the cover of one of which was blown off.

Witness explained that rubber soles were placed in the chamber to be vulcanised, a process which hardened and compressed the rubber. When the rubber was placed inside, steam was admitted into the outer jacket, and air, from compressed air cylinders, was pumped into the inner vessel.

Speaking of the vulcaniser, witness said that it was built locally and was of faulty workmanship, especially the design and the manner in which the cover was fixed. There were twelve bolts which held the cover tight, but should any of the bolts be loosely fixed then the pressure which the vulcaniser could stand would be very much diminished.

The design in short, depended too much on the human element and it seemed to witness that an attendant who would have to open the vulcaniser ten times a day, for instance, might conceivably leave one bolt loose.

It was difficult to say, said witness, whether the explosion was due to excessive air pressure from within or whether it was due to faulty bolting.

Witness was of the opinion that apparatus of the sort which exploded should be built and designed under proper supervision.

The inquiry was adjourned.

While bathing at Madras, India, Mr. Harold Pollard, the local manager of Messrs. Tetley, Whitley and Co., was drowned.

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